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AVERAGE OF 18 ANTI-GOVERNMENT ARTICLES POSTED ON WEBSITE DAILY

KOTA BAHARU, Aug 29 (Bernama) -- An average of 18 new anti-government articles were detected on the reformation website daily, Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Paduka Ibrahim Ali said today.

Ibrahim, who is chairman of Umno's Committee on Defamation, said the articles were mostly mere slander and propaganda inciting the people to hate federal government leaders.

"However, the number of articles on this website has decreased compared to previously," he told reporters here.

He said that in the one-week period which ended last Aug 18, 137 new articles were posted on this website.

They included "List of Bank Bumiputera Robbers", "Caution: Mahathir's Murder Plot", "EON Conspiracy", "Former Umno Youth Chief in the Run-up to General Election" and "Bukit Aman Assault".

Ibrahim said irresponsible people had also posted slanderous articles on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's recent trip to Russia and China.

"There are also articles on the smuggling of official government documents out of the country, the ups and downs of the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange and issue of bank and stockbroker mergers," he said.

He slammed the authors of these articles for hiding behind their pseudonyms to run down the government.

Ibrahim challenged them to make police reports to prove their allegations against government leaders.

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