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CODE OF ETHICS ALLOW MINISTER TO BE ADVISERS, SAYS ZAHARAH

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 26 (Bernama) -- National Unity and Social Development Minister Datuk Dr Siti Zaharah Sulaiman said today that the code of ethics did not prevent a minister from being an adviser to social body or foundation.

However, it was subject to regulations governing the body or foundation concerned, she said when asked to comment on the code of ethics revealed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at the first cabinet meeting on Dec 15.

Siti Zaharah said that apart from providing a set of moral rules for a minister in the discharge of his duties, it also enable him to give more attention in realising his mission.

"The code of ethics also shows that the Barisan Nasional (BN) is being transparent, trustworthy and fair," she said after presenting Hari Raya gifts from the Indonesian Muslims Federation (Permin) to the poor at the DBKL auditorium, here.

Some 600 poor people received RM200 and other goodies each from Permin.

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