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Yusof-incitement

OPPOSITION INCITES EVEN PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPILS, SAYS INFO CHIEF

PASIR MAS, Oct 2 (Bernama) -- Umno information chief Datuk Dr Yusof Noor said his own experience convinced him that opposition parties are inciting even primary school pupils to hate Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and other government leaders.

Yusof said he recently discovered such hate-leaflets in his son's school bag. His son is a standard two pupil in a school in Terengganu.

"Prior to this I only learn about such activity from other people but what happened to my son convinced me that such activity must not be taken lightly. We must not let this incitement of the younger generation to hate national leaders imperil the nation," he said.

Speaking to reporters after a political talk in Taman Mekasar here last night, Yusof said he was not accusing teachers and school management of distributing such inciting leaflets.

Nonetheless, the Education Ministry would have to tackle the problem and check it from causing greater harm, he said.

"If such a thing can happen at my son's school, I reckon it happens at the other schools as well. It cannot possibly happen at just one school," Yusof said.

He said he was also convinced that foreigners were paying the opposition to create hatred towards the government and Malaysia which was increasingly enjoying support and influence in developing countries in Africa and West Asia.

"The opposition is really doing a service to outsiders out to destabilise the country," he said.

Pahang Menteri Besar Pahang Datuk Adnan Yaacob and Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Ibrahim Ali also addressed the gathering.

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