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Patriotism

PATRIOTIC SPIRIT CAN COUNTER FOREIGN THREAT- RUBIN

KOTA KINABALU, Aug 26 (Bernama) -- The patriotic spirit should be nurtured among the young generation as it can mould a dynamic society which can stand up to all forms of local and foreign threats, Sabah Minister of Youth, Culture and Sports Development Datuk Rubin Balang said today.

Lately, the country had been facing all forms of pressure and slander both from within and foreign groups which did not wish to see Malaysia progress, he said.

However the spirit of "Malaysia Boleh" illustrated by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad had convinced Malaysians that they could be on par with developed nations if they tried really hard, he said. He was speaking at the opening of the Patriotism Exhibition 2020, organised by the Sabah Museum Department, by the Yang Dipertua Negeri Tun Sakaran Dandai.

Rubin said the patriotic spirit would also ensure the nation's success in the new millennium.

The Patriotism Exhibition 2020 highlights the achievements of renowned figures in the political, economic, scientific and educational fields and also the successes of non-governmental organisations.

Rubin hoped the achievements as shown in the Patriotism 2020 Exhibition would spur more youths to attain even greater successes.

Sabah Museum Director Joseph P.Guntavid believed that the exhibition would make the people, who all this while had been looking up to western values and cultures, aware and be impressed with the capabilities of the local leaders.

The Patriotism 2020 Exhibition gets its inspiration from the poem of the Prime Minister, titled "Perjuangan Yang Belum Selesai" and is held in conjunction with the National Day celebrations. It will be on for two months.

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