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Rafidah-Colonise

DON'T ALLOW M'SIA TO BE COLONISED AGAIN, SAYS RAFIDAH

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 4 (Bernama) -- Wanita Umno chief Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz today advised the younger generation not to allow Malaysia to be recolonised through a new form of colonisation by way of influencing their minds.

She said the younger generation opposing the leaders and country are directly or indirectly opening the doors to foreign countries to colonise and to influence the minds, culture and Malaysia's politics.

"Don't permit the emergence of a new form of colonisation which is worse than the colonial days," she told reporters after attending the prize-giving for high achievers in the UPSR, PMR and SPM examinations last year organised by the Cheras Umno division,

She said the younger generation had been given the opportunity to advance themselves through various programmes planned by the government.

"If the younger generation still opposed the government and allow themselves to be influenced by outsiders, only they are to be blamed," said Rafidah, who is international Trade and Industry Minister.

"In this matter, we have to decide on our destiny. If this happens, don't blame anyone, don't blame the colonialists, blame yourself," she said when commenting on Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's statement yesterday that Bumiputeras particularly the Malays should not blame the colonialists or other races if they failed to change their fate.

In her speech, Rafidah said children must be exposed to Information Technology (IT) in the early age if Malaysia were to compete with developed countries.

She also presented 21 computers contributed by Western Digital Sdn Bhd to 15 schools "adopted" by the Umno division.

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