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# Dr Mahathir to launch Puteri Umno on Aug 6

PETALING JAYA: The newly set-up Puteri Umno will be officially launched by party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Aug 6.

The wing's pro-tem chairman Azalina Othman Said said special programmes were being identified to make the launch a success.

She said membership drive would also be intensified to draw new members especially from among the educated young Malay women who have yet to join any political party.

The exercise, she said, was going quite well with the help of the party state liaison and division committees.

She said before the end of the month, all 165 Umno divisions nationwide would have set up their respective division-level Puteri pro-tem committees.

Members of the division pro-tem committee, she said, would be identified by the division leaders from among the existing young members.

"Since we are a new entity, the focus of our programmes now, besides the membership drive, is to ensure that our members, especially the new ones, fully understand the philosophy and basic struggles of Umno."