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Formation of club will serve as model for others

KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. - The newly-formed Kelab Umno Remaja (Umno Teenagers Club) in the Seputeh division will serve as a model for the formation of similar clubs in the Federal Territory.

Umno executive secretary Datuk Tengku Adnan Tengku Mansor said the club, which was formed last month, has attracted some 300 members.

"The concept of the club is not to pull them into politics, but rather to guide them during their school-going years," he said.

Tengku Adnan said the Federal Territory had high incidences of socio-economic problems which arose when children are often left on their own by parents who were too busy at work.

"The club will be an avenue for these children to learn something useful instead of wasting their precious time," he said.

It will provide tuition classes as well as other activities such as music and sports.

The idea for the club was conceived following the success of a similar club for boys in Batu Berendam, Malacca, which had even received praise from party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

However, Tengku Adnan felt it would be more suitable to form a club which would cater for both boys and girls, aged between 12 and 18 years.

He was speaking to reporters at the launch of the Federal Territory Puteri Umno at the Putra World Trade Centre today.

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