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SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE WITHDRAW IF NS STUDENTS ARE INVOLVED IN FIRE

PORT DICKSON, July 1 (Bernama) -- State sponsored students will have their scholarships and loans withdrawn if they are found to be involved in Friday's fire at the Dewan Tunku Canselor Universiti Malaya, if indeed it was arson.

Negeri Sembilan Menteri Besar Tan Sri Mohamed Isa Abdul Samad said today the state government would not treat such students with kid gloves because there was no point in giving them aid.

"If students sponsored by us are found to be involved, we will withdraw their loans or scholarships. There's no point giving them assistance because there are other students in need of the aid," he said when asked to comment on the fire which caused more than RM12 million losses.

Speaking to reporters after the pre-launch of the state Putri Umno here, he said students should not resort to violence to vent their frustration but should instead express their dissatisfaction to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamed at the student leaders' symposium at Universiti Malaysia today.

He said militancy was not part of the country's culture.

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