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SPORTS: PDRM BAGS 26 GOLDS IN WORLD MEET

KUALA LUMPUR, JUN 19 (Bernama) -- The Royal Malaysia Police (PDRM) won 46 medals including 26 golds at the World Police and Fire Department Games held last JUN 8-16 in Indianapolis, United States.

PDRM's public relations chief Supt Benjamin Hasbie said 100 policemen and officers led by Commissioner Datuk Mohd Bakri Hj Omar took part in the event.

The PDRM contingent also won nine silver and 11 bronze medals. he said in a statement today.

In 1999 edition of the Games held in Stockholm, Sweden, the PDRM won 41 medals.

Benjamin said PDRM's gold medals came from golf, badminton, bodybuilding, karate, shooting, athletics and tug-of-war.

He said the Inspector General of Police Tan Sri Norian Mai won a silver in golf at the Games.

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Umno-Discipline

UMNO SHOULD NOT BE DRAGGED TO COURT, SAYS MUHYIDDIN

KUALA LUMPUR, JUN 19 (Bernama) -- Umno leaders sanctioned by the party's disciplinary board for indulging in money politics in the recent divisional elections should not take the party to court, said Umno vice president Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

He said they should instead accept the punishment meted out.

"Those who were not satisfied with the decision of the disciplinary board should pursue the matter with the Umno Supreme Council, not with the courts," he said after attending a closed door briefing here today given by the Umno president ahead of the general assembly starting on Thursday.

Setiu Umno division chief Tengku Datuk Mahmud Mansor, who was reprimanded by the disciplinary board, had said he has not ruled out the possibility of taking Umno to court.

Muhyiddin, who tabled the motion to set up the Umno disciplinary board at the special general assembly last year, said the board did not mete out punishment "for fun".

He said the party, in efforts to clean itself up of money politics, should not be dragged to court.

Another Umno vice president, Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak, said Umno members unhappy with the disciplinary board's decisions could not refer their cases to court.

He said they should instead pursue the matter further through internal channels.

On the briefing, Najib said party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad wanted party members to abide by the decisions of the disciplinary board in the process to clean up the party.

Tan Sri Muhammad Muhammad Taib, also an Umno vice president, said the briefing given by Dr Mahathir focused on steps to strengthen the party.

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