

'Increase bumi intake in private colleges'

KUALA LUMPUR: The Umno Youth wants private colleges and universities to increase the intake of bumiputra students to 10% of their total student population.

This is to balance the government's decision to introduce a 10% quota for non-bumiputra students in matriculation programmes and Mara junior science colleges (MRSM).

Umno Youth chief Datuk Hishammuddin Hussein said the number of bumiputras in private institutions is below 5% and the gap should be reduced through efforts like offering scholarship schemes, relaxing entry requirements or awareness campaigns.

He was speaking after chairing the Umno Youth exco meeting yesterday.

Hishammuddin said the movement also wants the people to accept the vision school concept for national integration, which has the same objective as the government decision to allocate the 10% quota for non-bumiputras.

The vision school concept places national primary schools, and Chinese and Tamil vernacular schools within the same complex. This enables the pupils to share facilities with the objective of inculcating in them the spirit of goodwill.

On the meeting between

Umno Youth and party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad last week, Hishammuddin said various issues were discussed, including efforts to create competent Malay students.

On the Umno Youth general assembly to be held this month, Hishammuddin said 690 delegates, including 30 exco members, are expected to attend.

The movement will hold the Young Entrepreneurs Expo, an exhibition on the Afghanistan Aid Mission, and the "Umno Youth Entering the Kampung" programme at the Putra World Trade Centre from June 18. --
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