

## Nik Aziz: Don't drag Sultan in

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**KOTA BARU, Sat.** — Menteri Besar Datuk Nik Aziz Nik Mat said the State Umno Youth should not drag the Sultan into the controversy over his recent remarks linking God to thuggery.

Nik Aziz said the movement should heed Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's call for Malays to throw away their crutches and stand on their own feet.

"I would like to call on them not to depend on the mufti or drag the Sultan into politics," he told reporters after attending a Pas seminar.

Nik Aziz was commenting on the State Umno Youth's action in handing a letter to the Kelantan Mufti Datuk Hasbullah Mohd Hassan on Thursday requesting the State Fatwa Council to issue an official fatwa over his statements.