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Hadi: It's Umno which practises extremism, not Pas

KUALA TERENGGANU, Mon. - It is Umno and not Pas which advocates extremism to gather support from the younger generation, said acting Pas president Datuk Seri Abdul Hadi Awang.

Abdul Hadi cited an incident in March where a policeman fired two warning shots during the Umno Pulau Kerengga branch meeting in Marang to control the crowd which had turned unruly.

"There are many other incidents showing Umno practising extremism and it is not right to blame us.

"Such incidents do not occur during Pas meetings and this goes to show we are more tolerant than Umno."

Abdul Hadi, who is Menteri Besar, said this after officiating at a forum organised by the State Women Affairs committee at Wisma Darul Iman.

He was asked to comment on a statement yesterday by Deputy Prime Minister and Umno deputy president Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi that Pas advocated extremism to gather support from the people.

On video clips of slanderous remarks by former Pas MP Bunyamin Yaakob against Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad aired by RTM, Abdul Hadi said RTM must show the speech in full.

"The video clip has been edited. The station should air the speech in full so that the people have a clear understanding of what Bunyamin said."