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Multiracial clubs set up in UM hostels

PORT DICKSON, Thurs. - Multiracial clubs have been formed in all the Universiti Malaya hostel colleges to help overcome the problem of racial polarisation.

Vice-Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Anuar Zaini Md Zain said the management was continuing with its previous programmes to close the gap among the races.

"This problem still exists but we have ways to handle it," he said after the opening of the third National Banana Seminar by International Trade and Industry secretary-general Datuk Abdul Razak Ramli today.

"Most of our students are receptive to the programmes."

On Aug 13, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, when opening the Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman, urged university students to set up multi-racial clubs on campus.

Dr Mahathir had said the clubs should conduct courses on the customs, taboos and sensitivities of each race.