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KELANTAN ISLAMIC BUSINESS CHAMBERS PLANS NEW PROGRAMMES FOR MEMBERS

KOTA BAHARU, May 22 (Bernama) -- The Kelantan Malaysian Islamic Business Chambers (DPIMNK) is coming up with several business programmes for its members to help them enhance their economic opportunities.

Its chairman, Datuk Paduka Alias Hussin, said several basic courses on business and finance would be held from time to time while it would be made compulsory for members to have the "F" class contractor license before starting out their businesses.

"Even if the members have the capital but without the experience it would not be easy for them to start their business in an environment full of challenges," he told Bernama here today.

Alias who is also the executive chairman of Alias and Co, was made chairman of DPIMNK last April, taking over from Datuk Ahmad Omar. The chambers has a total of 280 members.

Alias said that after going through the programmes, DPIMNK members would be also assured of getting business opportunities from government agencies and this would be monitored by DPIMNK.

He also lamented that there were a lack of business opportunities in the state and that if the situation continued, many businessmen would end up closing their operations and moving on to other states for opportunities.

"We need to come together and consider this matter, otherwise the bumiputera community here who have the qualifications and experience might end up migrating to other states," he said.

On the economic package announced by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday, Alias said the move was most welcome as it would help the less privileged citizens of the country.

He said many people from the lower and average income brackets would benefit from the package and it was proof that the government cared for their welfare.

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