

## **DPM lashes out at Dong Zong, queries 'ill intention'**

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Deputy Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin has questioned if the United Chinese School Committee's Association of Malaysia (Dong Zong) has any ill intention in its opposition to the national education blueprint (PPMM).

"What we are doing (the blueprint) is not against the law. Or Dong Zong deliberately wants to see the national education system regress so that they will not become a threat to vernacular schools?"

"What is their purpose? If that is their purpose then it would be ill intention on their part," he was quoted as saying in Umno-owned Utusan Malaysia today.

Muhyiddin, who is on a working visit to Thailand, was responding to Dong Zong's opposition to the PPMM, claiming that it would undermine Chinese vernacular education.

The deputy premier said nowhere in the blueprint does it mention that Chinese vernacular education would be done away with.

He added that the government will go ahead with the blueprint regardless of Dong Zong's opposition, describing the group as a

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