

Sex education like teaching theft: Nik Aziz
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Kelantan Menteri Besar Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat disagrees with the move to teach sex education in schools, saying it will do more harm than good to the younger generation.

The PAS spiritual leader said, among other things, the move would encourage children to learn about sex among themselves, resulting in negative incidents like dumping unwanted babies.

"There is already sex education in Islam like parents should have a separate sleeping place for their children when they reach the age of seven and that women should be properly covered," he said after delivering a religious lecture in Kota Bharu today.

He said introducing sex education in schools would be like teaching thieves how to steal properly.

Nik Aziz also wanted illicit sex to be termed as "zina" in Islam and not as "seks bebas" (free sex) as deemed by some quarters.

"What's wrong with calling 'seks bebas', 'zina' as the latter word would instil some fear in Muslims?"

"And those who commit 'zina' should be punished under the hudud law," he said.

The issue of sex education has long been discussed and debated, with several quarters urging sex education to be implemented in schools to curb social ills like unwanted pregnancies and dumping of babies, which has become rampant of late.

However, to date there has been no decision on the matter.

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