

Perak has most cases of brutality against women, children
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IPOH - Perak has the most cases of violence against women, children and even babies with 3,600 cases last year.

State Wanita Umno chief Rosnah Kassim said data compiled by the wing showed that 97% of the perpetrators were men, The Star reported.

"Something must be done to curb the increasing trend of cases in the state.

"Perak Wanita Umno has come up with a campaign to fight this and I believe this is the first such campaign in the country. We know that it is not easy to create awareness, but it is something that we have to start and do," she told reporters after the launch of the Men Against Violence campaign by Menteri Besar Dr Zambry Abdul Kadir here Sunday.

According to Rosnah, the campaign would educate men that it was wrong to act violently towards those who were vulnerable.

"Previously, seminars and workshops on violence only involved women who were victims and not the men who were responsible for such acts.

"We feel that any anti-violence campaign will not be effective without the participation of men," she said, adding that there should not be any gender biases when implementing such programmes.

Rosnah, who is also Hulu Kinta assemblyman, said the wing's social secretariat would be setting up an action committee to formulate programmes under the campaign, according to The Star.

The action committee, she said, would work with non-governmental organisations to conduct awareness programmes for Form 5 and Form 6 students throughout the state.

"We must look ahead and launch an awareness programme involving the younger generation whose personalities are easier to mould," she said.

Dr Zambry and his wife Saripah Zulkifli would be made the patron and adviser to the committee respectively.

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