

# Some schools to get CCTVs

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**KANGAR:** Closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras will be installed in selected high-risk schools to monitor students, said Education Minister Datuk Seri Hishammuddin Tun Hussein.

However, he said a decision had not been made on whether to extend it to all schools.

Hishammuddin said the cameras would be installed without the knowledge of pupils, as this approach would be more effective in curbing unhealthy activities such as theft of school equipment.

"We will also install cameras in schools which do not have disciplinary problems as we don't want a perception that schools with CCTVs have problematic pupils," he told newsmen after attending a breaking



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of fast organised by the state Umno Youth here on Saturday night.

He, however, declined to

reveal when the cameras would be installed.

Hishammuddin said this when commenting on the statement by Deputy Science, Technology and Innovation Minister Datuk Kong Cho Ha on Friday that the Education Ministry should include a CCTV system as part of the contract to privatise security services at government schools.

Kong had said that besides enhancing security in schools, CCTVs could help check indiscipline among students.

Hishammuddin said a detailed study was necessary before the cameras could be installed in all schools.

"We have to look at the cost involved, who is to handle the system and how to ensure the equipment used is maintained well," he said.