

Govt allowance misused

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Dad spends children's money on new car and other things

AN ASSISTANT of a driving school spent the RM1,000 allowance given by the Government for his five children's education on a new car and other things, reported *China Press*.

His children – aged between eight and 13 – had not been going to school since the new term started last week as they had no money to pay the fees.

Deputy Education Minister Datuk Noh Omar discovered this when he visited Kuala Juru fishing village in Bukit Mertajam, Penang, last Saturday.

The 50-year-old father was not at home at that time. Noh met the man's 40-year-old wife and the children.

Noh said the children should be

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going to school as the allowance was given by the Government.

"We are finding ways to prevent parents from misusing such allowance meant for the children's education," he said.

> *Nanyang Siang Pau* reported that a Mathematics teacher, in trying to rescue his students from a swarm of wasps, was stung at least 50 times.

Lin Wen Qing used his body to shield the students during the attack at Labrador Park in Singapore.

He was among four teachers who were leading a group of 70 Form One students during an orientation camp at the park last Friday.

The group was returning to their campsite after sightseeing.

"It happened so fast. The sky looked like it was covered with black mist and the next thing I knew we were attacked by the wasps.

"All of us quickly ran for cover but I turned back to help several students who stood there crying," he said.

A hawker at a nearby food court rushed to spray mosquito repellent on the wasps.

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