

# Make Tunku's birthday a national holiday

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FIRST Prime Minister Tunku Abdul Rahman's birthday, Feb 8, should be declared a national holiday, an MIC branch says.

*Makkal Osai* said a resolution to the effect was passed at the Simpang Renggam MIC's 27th annual district meeting recently.

P. Ramakrishnan, president of the Sri Renggam MIC branch who made this proposal, said that Tunku had done much for the country, ensuring that the three major races were united and maintained good ties.

>Many Indian students were playing truant and could be found loitering in shopping complexes in Petaling Jaya, reported *Malaysia Nanban*.

Shopkeepers operating in the complexes said the numbers were increasing daily, and that most students were in the complexes even before the shops opened at 10am.

Most were in school uniforms and some were even involved in illegal activities.

Petaling Jaya district police chief Mansor Roslan said they were aware of the complaints, adding that immediate action would be taken.

>Medical experts warn that excessive handphone use by youths can lead to mental stress and increased anger, reported *Makkal Osai*.

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Medical researchers in Grenada University, Spain, said a study conducted on youths aged between 18 and 25 showed that those who did not receive replies to their SMSes and missed calls showed increased nervousness.