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Gerakan suggests five ways to improve BTN

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PETALING JAYA: Gerakan has suggested five ways, including forming a special working committee to re-evaluate the format and content of the courses, to improve the Biro Tata Negara (BTN) programmes to be in-line with the spirit of 1Malaysia.

Gerakan Youth secretary-general Dr Dominic Lau said the special working committee should be headed by the chief secretary to the government and comprise other high ranking government officers and academicians from the various races and backgrounds.

in a statement released yesterday, Lau said the party had drawn up a memorandum contain-

ing the suggestions on the BTN to be sent to the government for consideration

The other suggestions in the memorandum include hiring more non-Malay lecturers and BTN officers to bring the courses in line with the 1 Malaysia concept; and ensuring that the contents of the BTN courses are based on the Federal Constitution, Rukun Negara, wawasan 2020, Visi Negara and 1Malaysia.

"Apart from that, we also suggest that BTN should be renamed as Biro 1Malaysia to suit Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib (Abdul Razak's) wishes to uphold the spirit and the values of 1 Malaysia," said Lau.

"Gerakan Youth also feel that BTN should be a platform to cultivate integration among Malaysians," said Lau.