

'Govt must do more to debunk

opposition propaganda

JOHOR BARU: Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim acknowledged that the unity government needs to enhance its communications to debunk the propaganda of opposition parties.

Speaking at a dialogue with students and educators at Universiti Teknologi Malaysia yesterday, the prime minister urged the people not to be fooled by disinformation on social media.

He said that apart from improving communication at the government level, he asked students to also help disseminate the facts.

Anwar also encouraged students to read more and to think critically.

He said reading and thinking critically would open students' minds and prevent them from being taken in by those who used social media platforms to disseminate negative perceptions, and pretend to be the "face of Islam".

"I was accused of many things by 'bearded' politicians with headgear, and politicians who are near their deathbed.

"The truth is, I am the peoples' prime minister despite my religion or race.

"I am a Malay-Muslim, and will not go against the teaching of Islam. But I will also help people of different races and faiths."