

**1Malaysia United Community Programme Narrowing Community Divide**  
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KUALA TERENGGANU, Dec 17 (Bernama) -- The 1Malaysia United Community Programme is aimed at narrowing down the divide between communities and also local society.

Information Department deputy director-general Datuk Poziah Abdul Rahman said the programme, organised by the department, was held throughout the year nationwide to explain government policies directly to the people.

"We will also insert a little entertainment, gotong royong and telematch involving all communities including children, women, single mothers and other adults.

"We also create events which require group participation such as cooking the Asyura porridge. This is good to boost unity," she said.

She was speaking to reporters after opening the eighth state-level Kampung Panji 1Malaysia United Community Programme in the Wakaf Mempelam State Assembly constituency here, Saturday.

Poziah said she was overwhelmed by the response to the programme by the local populace.

"The wind of change demonstrated by the community here amazes me. I hope changes continue to take place in the constituency after being under the opposition for so long," she said.

The Wakaf Mempelam State Assembly constituency has been a Pas stronghold for the past 32 years.

Poziah said, after Terengganu, the programme would be continued nationwide depending on the suitability of a location.

She said there were 1,115 1Malaysia Communities nationwide and 83 in Terengganu.

"The programme should be held more often because it is effective in uniting the communities and government policies could be disseminated more effectively," she said.

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