

Penang's Golden Child Programme Seen As Dap's Political Gimmick
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NIBONG TEBAL, Sept 13 (Bernama) -- The Penang Anak Emas (Golden Child) Programme introduced by the DAP-led state government is seen as a political gimmick to gain votes by giving money.

State Umno liaison chief Datuk Zainal Abidin Osman said the programme which gave RM100 cash for each newborn baby in the state showed Chief Minister Lim Guan Eng's desperation to win votes.

"If the RM100 contribution is really sincere, why give it only to parents who are registered voters in Penang? It shows how desperate the state government is, that it has to use money to win votes," he said of the programme after opening a seminar on 'Current National and Global Security Threats', here, today.

Another condition set for the cash gift is that the monthly household income should not be more than RM4,000.

Also present at the seminar organised by the Information Department and Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission, was Penang Information Department director, Fatkhul Hatta Robiki.

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