

**Rosmah: Women Need To Network, Share Knowledge To Progress**  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 2 (Bernama) -- Women who want to embark on the road to progress, need to network and cooperate, apart from sharing insights, knowledge, resources and experiences, notes Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor.

The prime minister's wife said that women must support and help one another, rather than pull each other down.

"They should also not be discouraged by the challenges they would face in their path, since these challenges will ultimately make them stronger, more confident and better leaders," she added.

Rosmah said this when launching the International Food and Fair Charity Bazaar 2011 organised by the International Women's Association of Kuala Lumpur (IWA-KL) here Sunday.

Touching on IWA-KL, Rosmah hoped the association, whose members were from diverse professional careers and experiences, would tap these resources positively and significantly.

"It would be a waste if such resources are not utilised," she said, adding that IWA-KL could perhaps, consider taking up an advocacy role for certain women-related issues which were of concern to its members.

Rosmah said that it was only through such platforms that IWA-KL's voice could be heard and its presence felt.

The aim of the annual food and fair charity bazaar is to raise funds for Rumah Anak Kesayangku, a home for orphans, single mothers and underprivileged society and other charity organisations such as The Breast Cancer Welfare Association, Orang Asli and Animal Welfare Society Malaysia.

Meanwhile, when attending the Global Peace Charity Golf Tournament at Kelab Golf Perkhidmatan Awam here, Rosmah said recreation activities for charity purposes should be encouraged and be made a practice by companies in fulfilling their corporate social responsibility.

She also suggested that charity golf tournaments be held to raise funds to train future professional golfers, particularly among youths.

"Although interest in golf has spread to all strata of society, we have yet to produce a golfer who is famous worldwide unlike badminton or squash," she said.

At the function, Rosmah was presented cheques for a total of RM360,000 contributed by 13 companies to the Global Peace Charity Golf Tournament.

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