

Malays Told To Unite Against Enemies Of Umno
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KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 30 (Bernama) -- The Malays should unite in the run-up to the next general election in the face of the opposition's foray to tear the cohesiveness apart, said a Puteri Umno delegate.

Padang Besar Puteri Umno vice-chief Rossaliza Mohd Salleh said she was saddened that the Malays were willing to gamble their future as they aspire to become leaders and take revenge against their foes.

"They are also willing to violate the sanctity of Islam and the nation's future to achieve their objective," she said when debating the policy speech by Puteri chief Datuk Rosnah Abdul Rashid Shirlin here Wednesday.

Shah Alam Puteri Umno division chief Shuratini Abd Rahman proposed that the government set up tahfiz (Quran memorisation) institutes nationwide and take over private tahfiz centres by making the Darul Quran in Kuala Kubu Bharu as a model.

Tambun Puteri Umno division chief Azana Rita Abdul Aziz, who debated the education motion, proposed the setting up of data on scholarships, loans and student placements.

She also proposed the Umno Education Bureau as well as that of its wings to be revamped while their roles redefined to strengthen the country's education policy.

Dungun Puteri Umno division chief Aziahwati Abdullah, who debated on the economic motion, proposed the 1Malaysia People's Housing (PR1MA) project to be extended nationwide and not just concentrated in major cities.

"Many young people earning less than RM3,000 a month whether they are in rural or urban areas have yet to own houses," he said.

Bagan Puteri Umno division chief Harliza Hamzah urged the government to provide better financing for Malay entrepreneurs and simplify the loan application process.

She said borrowers, who successfully managed their business in the third year of operation, should have the interest rate charges on their loans reduced to two per cent.

Segambut Puteri Umno chief Huzry Fionnawatty Hussein called on Puteri Umno to reject the Seksualiti Merdeka programme for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transsexual groups in the country.

She said the programme not only contravened Islamic teachings but also that of other religions.

"This kind of culture not only poses a threat to community development, but also to the country's development if it were to be organised continuously over the next five to 15 years," she said when debating the motion on social issues.

She also said protests against the programme should not come only from the ulama or religious scholars, but also from people from all walks of life, including Puteri Umno.

The issue was also raised by Jerai Puteri Umno chief Hasfizatulnisah Mat Isa and Bachok Puteri Umno chief Che Hanuni Che Ali.

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