

Nik Aziz Is Aware Of Illegal Mining Activities In Kelantan

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KOTA BAHARU, July 14 (Bernama) -- Kelantan Menteri Besar Kelantan, Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat today said that he was aware of illegal mining activities in hulu Kelantan.

However, he said, there were carried out on small scale and using the traditional method.

"It is only recently that it is being carried out on a huge scale involving the use of machinery," he told reporters after closing a seminar on enhancing the political integrity of the Kelantan PAS women leadership here Saturday.

He was commenting on a newspaper report about illegal mining activities being carried out in several districts in the state, including Kuala Krai, Jeli, Tanah Merah and Gua Musang.

The report also mentioned a raid by the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) on an illegal gold mining operation in Hutan Perasu near Gua Musang.

Asked whether he was satisfied with the action taken by his officers in addressing the problem, Nik Aziz said no.

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