

**2013 Budget Proof Of BN Government's Attention To Younger Generation, Says Ahmad Zahid**  
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BUTTERWORTH, Sept 30 (Bernama) -- Umno vice-president Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi emphasised that the various incentives for youths included in the 2013 Budget proved that the Barisan Nasional (BN) government cared for and paid attention to the younger generation.

The RM51.7 billion allocation for them clearly refuted allegations that the government did not heed the group's needs, he added.

"The Budget clearly showed that Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak took into consideration the voices of the younger generation," he told reporters after the launch of the 'BN, The Choice of the Youth' programme, here Sunday.

Ahmad Zahid, who is also Defence Minister, said the younger generation were starting to show their support for BN after seeing the government delivering their promises.

Meanwhile, Umno Youth chief, Khairy Jamaluddin said the increased attendance of youths at the event was a direct result of the budget.

In a survey carried out by Umno Youth 48 hours after the 2013 Budget was tabled on Friday, showed 50 percent of youth voters supported BN, 20 percent the opposition and 30 percent neutral, he said.

A previous consistent and periodical study showed that 60 percent of them were neutral and 40 percent for BN and the opposition, he added.

"The latest survey shows an extraordinary increase. The positive effect of the budget is clearly seen," said Khairy of the study which involved 1,000 respondents nationwide.

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