

IPGM Needs To Be Reviewed To Churn Out Quality Educators: DPM
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BANGI, Oct 18 (Bernama) -- Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said the system and organisation of the Malaysian Teachers Education Institute (IPGM) should be reviewed so that the objective of churning out quality and the best teachers can be achieved.

The Deputy Prime Minister said among the areas that needed to be given emphasis were a continuous improvement in the management system, administration, training module and infrastructure facilities.

"I have asked the top managements of the IPGM and the Education Ministry to review these matters.

"We need to create a conducive and the best working environment especially for the IPGM staff as well as a comfortable learning environment for the students," he said at a meeting with the IPGM teacher trainees and handing over of the 'Kad Diskaun Siswa 1Malaysia' (KADS1M) here Thursday.

The text of his speech was read by the Director-General of Education, Tan Sri Abd Ghafar Mahmud.

Muhyiddin, who is also the Education Minister, said at the same time he hoped the IPGM would continue to be relevant in training and churning out excellent and credible teachers.

In conjunction with the handing over of the KADS1M to about 1,500 IPGM teacher trainees today, he called on the recipients to utilise the facility in the best mannner instead of spending lavishly.

"Use it to obtain a return that is commensurate with the investment made so that every sen spent will give the desired return," he said.

With the KADS1M that offered returns of between five and 60 per cent at selected business premises, Muhyiddin said the trainees could purchase various necessities at a low and best price.

Among the business sectors involved are books, stationery, clothing, health products, retail goods, food and beverages, transport, IT products and automotive products.

To date, 231 companies (2,414 outlets) including cooperatives had agreed to participate in the initiative.

"This initiative is provided to ease the burden of the people and to ensure that the young generation received appropriate facilities," he added.

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