

## **Government Welcomes Recommendation From Malaysian Bar To Improve Legal Process**

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 19 (Bernama) -- The Malaysian Bar is welcomed to make constructive proposals and positive recommendations where necessary in relation to improving the legal process of the country.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Nancy Shukri said the government was taking an open approach towards the continuous improvement of the country's prevailing legislations and perfection of current legal procedures and processes.

"Be assured that this feedback is greatly appreciated and will be given fair consideration," she said at a dinner with the Malaysian Bar here Wednesday night.

Also present was the Malaysian Bar President Christopher Leong.

Nancy, who is the minister in charge of law, said the government also recognised the need to create a better environment to foster more amicable ties between the Bar and the government.

While the government was appreciative of the criticisms from the Malaysian Bar and took them in a positive light, she hoped it would be supportive of the government's plan to ensure systematic and orderly functions of the law in the country.

"Going forward, we shall aspire 'endless possibilities' together. We shall be partners not only in areas of law but also other pivotal aspects that affect us as a nation," she said.

On another matter, Nancy said the government was committed to address the rising violent crimes and organised crimes in the country.

However, she said the government would not be enacting new laws that were similar to the Emergency Ordinance, but only amending some of the provisions in the existing laws.

Meanwhile, Nancy also suggested that the Bar Council would open up to law students who were still at the universities and invite them to become interns with the legal firms and provide them exposure with the related legal work and the environment.

Currently, there are 16,600 lawyers throughout Malaysia.

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