

Enhance Academic Programmes For Umno Members
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SIK, Aug 9 (Bernama) -- Academic programmes among Umno members should be enhanced so that they can play a role to provide information to the public on current issues.

Umno supreme council member, Datuk Abdul Rahman Dahlan who is also Housing, Urban Wellbeing and Local Government Minister, said at present they were more comfortable giving the responsibility to a third party, such as newspapers, television stations or government agencies.

"As a political party based on the people's struggle and their political philosophy, we cannot remain silent except to discuss and debate issues on the party and the government.

"All wings of the party have to intensify their academic programmes such as seminars, forums, debates, workshops and others so that we can respond to the opposition's arguments," he told reporters after opening Sik Umno Wanita, Youth and Puteri Wings division delegates meeting, here Saturday.

He said while the role of the mass media in disseminating government policies could not be denied, the responsibility should be jointly shouldered by all Umno members.

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