

Police Advise Parents To Report Children Taken Up By IS
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ALOR SETAR, March 25 (Bernama) -- The police have advised parents who find their children taken up by the IS militant group to report the matter for the police to act.

Kedah Police deputy chief Datuk Zakaria Yusof said today parents should monitor the movement of their children lest they fall prey to the militant group.

The group used various ways to kindle the interest of youngsters in its activities and to eventually join it without the knowledge of their families, he said.

"We are constantly monitoring the activities of the IS in this state and have not stopped gathering information.

"We have identified several individuals and investigations are being conducted with the help of Bukit Aman," he told reporters after the launch of the 208th Police Day celebrations at the Kedah Police headquarters here.

He said the police constantly monitored activities at madrasah in the state to ensure that the educational activities were not inclined towards the group.

"We hope the enforcement we are undertaking will enable those inclined towards the IS to realise their mistake," he said.

In JOHOR, State Police deputy chief Datuk Ismail Yatim said the need to augment 1,000 police personnel in the state would be given priority this year due to the intensive development taking place in Johor.

"The filling of the vacancies for various rank and file personnel will be done this year to strengthen the existing strength of about 9,000 personnel," he said after the launch of 208th Police Day celebration at the Johor Police headquarters in Johor Baharu.

In PUTRAJAYA, police chief ACP Abdul Razak Abdul Majid said crime in the federal administrative capital was under control, with an average of 30 cases a month involving housebreaking and motorcycle theft.

He told reporters after attending the Police Day parade at the Putrajaya Police headquarters that it was hoped that cooperation between the police and the people could be stepped up to check crime.

In SABAH, Deputy Commissioner of Police Datuk Abdul Malek Harun said it was hoped that the people in the state would extend their cooperation to the police to fight crime.

He said the crime index showed 966 cases this year up to March 23, down from the 1,224

cases for the corresponding period last year.

He also said that there was a rise of 43.22 per cent in the solving of cases so far this year, up from the 42.96 per cent increase for the corresponding period last year.

In LABUAN, Police chief Supt Adzhar Othman said the police would continue to strengthen ties with the media fraternity due to its important role in the dissemination of information.

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