

Puspanita Permata Nurseries Should Be Expanded To All Districts - Rosmah

PUTRAJAYA, Feb 28 (Bernama) -- The setting up of the Association of Wives of Civil Servants and Women Civil Servants (Puspanita) Permata nurseries should be expanded to its branches in all districts, Prime Minister's wife Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor.

She said the presence of the nurseries would definitely provide comfort to the parents, most of whom are civil servants, as it would enable them to stay focus in carrying out their daily tasks without worrying about their children's safety.

"Besides, it will also enable the parents to check on their children at any time," Rosmah, who is the national Puspanita patron, said this when opening the 35th Puspanita annual general meeting here Tuesday.

Rosmah said, at present, there are 31 Puspanita Permata nurseries nationwide and that she truly understood the need for safe and secured childcare centres.

"Study shows that the future of the children depends so much on the early childhood education opportunity they get before reaching the age of four," she said.

As such, she said during that age, the children should be given quality early education by trained caregivers.

In her speech, Rosmah also reminded women civil servants to give priority to good working practice as it reflected the credibility of public service.

"You must be diligent and serious in your work, and must always stay focused, maintain discipline, be punctual and be highly competent...to erase the perception that dealing with the government means having to deal with everything behind time, bureaucracy and unfriendly staff," she said.

At the event, Rosmah also presented Puspanita's donation totalling RM100,000 to Puspanita nurseries at the ministry and state levels, as well as a Proton Exora multipurpose vehicle to the National Cancer Institute.

She also presented a lifetime achievement award to Auditor-General Tan Sri Dr Madinah Mohamad for her contributions to Puspanita.

Meanwhile, Puspanita president Puan Sri Rohani Abdullah in her speech said Puspanita members across the country now numbered 100,500.

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