

Opposition Slandering Gov't Through Roadshows Out Of Desperation - Hamzah

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GEORGE TOWN, Aug 20 (Bernama) -- The opposition is seen as increasingly desperate by organising roadshows across the country, especially in village areas, to slander the government so as to stoke public hatred towards the Barisan Nasional (BN) government.

UMNO Supreme Council member, Datuk Seri Hamzah Zainuddin said the action was inappropriate as some of them were at one time UMNO strongmen and part of the government but they seldom went to the ground to meet the people.

"However, now they are often touring the country on the pretext of getting close to the people but actually spreading untrue stories and slandering the party (UMNO) and the government," he said after opening the Jelutong UMNO division delegates' conference in Batu Feringghi, near here, today.

Hamzah said UMNO's seriousness in shouldering its responsibilities for all the people regardless of their political background had made the opposition leaders feel threatened.

Hamzah, who is also Domestic Trade, Cooperatives and Consumerism Minister, said the opposition's tactic, however, could not shake the loyalty of UMNO members for the party as they knew what were true or otherwise....

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