

GE14: BN Youth launches manifesto, underlines 8-point Youth Guarantee

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KUALA LUMPUR, April 10 (Bernama) -- Barisan Nasional (BN) Youth chairman Khairy Jamaluddin launched the BN Youth Manifesto for the 14th General Election (GE14), dubbed the Youth Guarantee, at the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC), here tonight.

The manifesto underlined eight-point guarantee given by BN to empower the young people over the next five years.

They are the guarantee to provide job opportunity and training; increase income and skills; empower the economy of rural youths; facilitate access to start-up financing for young entrepreneurs; alleviate burden of young families; provide better quality of life; ensure fair opportunity in all segments; and to uphold the ideas of the young people for the National Transformation 2050 (TN50).

Under the guarantee to provide job opportunity and training, each youth would be assisted to secure a job within six months upon registration with the Youth Offer system.

To achieve this, BN will match the youths with national mega infrastructural projects, give incentives to social entrepreneurs to create jobs, equip over five million schoolchildren with digital skills to face the fourth industrial revolution, and ensure over a million youths to get training and career opportunities in technical and vocational education and training (TVET) area.

Under the guarantee to increase income and skills, the efforts will include providing financial aid for young workers to learn new skills online or to purchase work-related computer software, besides reducing the nation's dependency on foreign workers to 15 per cent from the total manpower and creating a new wave of rural entrepreneurs.

Other initiatives include expanding digital economy to rural areas, providing marriage aid to young couple to get married, and increasing the number of affordable, rentable and transit houses.

Thousands of BN component party members flocked to the PWTC for the launch of the manifesto to symbolise their preparedness to face the GE14 challenges.

Also present were BN Youth deputy chairman Senator Khairul Azwan Harun, MCA Youth chief Senator Chong Sin Woon, Gerakan Youth chief Tan Keng Liang, MIC Youth chief Sivarraajh Chandran and Puteri UMNO chief Datuk Mas Ermieyati Samsuddin.

On April 7, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak who is also BN chairman launched the BN Manifesto containing 14 thrusts and 364 initiatives for a greater Malaysia.

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