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TAJUK : 821 MANGSA BANJIR DIPINDAH DI DUA NEGERI

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : BERITA HARIAN

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 19

TONE : NEUTRAL

SEKTOR : KPWKM

821 mangsa banjir dipindah di dua negeri

JPS lapor dua sungai utama di Perak rekod bacaan lepari paras bahaya

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Kuala Lumpur: Banjir melanda Selangor dan Perak memaksa 821 mangsa berlindung di 11 pusat pemindahan sementara (PPS) di dua negeri berkenaan semalam.

Berdasarkan rekod sehingga jam 4 petang, seramai 569 mangsa membatikan 150 keluarga masih

berada di lapan PPS di Selangor, manakala di Perak membatikan 252 mangsa daripada 73 keluarga di tiga PPS.

Sekretariat Jawatankuasa Pengurusan Bencana Negeri Selangor berkata, kawasan terjejas membatikan daerah Gombak, Hulu Selangor, Hulu Langat dan Sepang.

"Empat PPS di Sepang membatikan Dewan Orang Ramai Taman Gemilang yang menempatkan 49 mangsa daripada 15 keluarga, manakala 101 mangsa daripada 24 keluarga di PPS Dewan Orang Ramai Kampung Dato Ahmad Razali.

"Seramai 89 mangsa daripada 20 keluarga lagi ditempatkan di PPS Dewan MPKK Kampung Jenderam Hilir dan 221 mangsa daripada 65 keluarga di Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan (SMK)



Mangsa banjir yang ditempatkan di pusat pemindahan sementara (PPS) di Selangor. (Foto ihsan APM)

Dengkil," katanya.

Kenyataan sama memaklumkan, seramai 91 mangsa daripada 21 keluarga ditempatkan di dua PPS di daerah Hulu Langat iaitu di Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Bangi dan SK Semenyih.

Lima mangsa daripada tiga keluarga masih ditempatkan di PPS Dewan Seroja Kampung Bendahara di Gombak dan dua keluarga membatikan 13 mangsa berada di PPS Dewan Komuniti Taman Desa Hulu Yam Bharu.

Mangsa dibenarkan pulang

Dalam pada itu, PPS Dewan Serbaguna Camelia MBSJ di Putra

Heights dalam daerah Petaling ditutup sepenuhnya jam 3 petang ini apabila semua 10 mangsa dibenarkan pulang.

Sementara itu, Portal InfoBencana Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) melaporkan tiga PPS masih beroperasi di Perak iaitu di Dewan Serbaguna Kampung Padang Tembak dengan 98 mangsa, diikuti SK Changkat Lobak (97 mangsa) dan SK Alor Pongsu (57 mangsa).

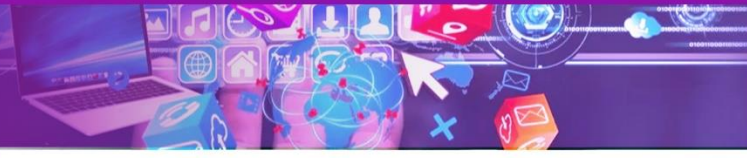
Laman web rasmi Public InfoBanjir Jabatan Pengairan dan Saliran (JPS) pula melaporkan dua sungai utama iaitu Sungai Bidor di Changkat Jong di Perak dan Su-

ngai Langat di Bukit Changgang di Selangor merekod bacaan melepasi paras bahaya.

Sungai Bidor mencatatkan bacaan 4.02 meter (m) melepasi paras bahaya 3.50m, manakala Sungai Langat dengan bacaan 4.27m berbanding paras bahaya 4.20m.

Selain itu dua sungai di negeri sama turut merekod bacaan melepasi paras amaran iaitu Sungai Kita di Weir Tanjung Tualang di Kinta, Perak dan Sungai Bernam di Jambatan SKK di Selangor.

Sungai Padang Kerbau di Pendang, Kedah pula merekodkan bacaan 3.67m melepasi paras amaran.



TAJUK : LATIH WANITA JADI SUKARELAWAN PERTOLONGAN CEMAS PSIKOLOGI

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : BERITA HARIAN

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 22

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Latih wanita jadi sukarelawan pertolongan cemas psikologi

Program bimbing belia bantu kesan tanda awal tekanan mental dalam kalangan keluarga, rakan

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Bukit Mertajam: Semua orang tidak lari daripada mempunyai masalah berkaitan kesihatan mental, sama ada sedar atau tidak, terutama dalam kalangan wanita membabitkan suri rumah.

Jika mereka tidak prihatin kesihatan mental dialami ia akan menyebabkan keadaan emosi dan tekanan bertambah buruk.

Akhirnya, mengakibatkan individu menjadi ganas, tidak boleh dikawal dan hanya boleh diubati dengan makan ubat bagi meredakan situasi sementara.

Melihat situasi itu, mendorong Pertubuhan Tunas Nuraga Malaysia dan Pertubuhan Kebajikan Seberang Perai Tengah menganjurkan bengkel "Tautan Ihsan -

Psychological First Aider' dalam mendedahkan ilmu boleh dipraktikkan wanita menangani emosi.

Setiausahanya, Suraiza Sudin, berkata program bertujuan melatih sukarelawan, terutama belia sebagai Rakan Ihsan dan bertindak sebagai sukarelawan pertolongan cemas psikologi.

"Malaysia sedang mendepani isu kesihatan mental yang membimbangkan dengan kadar kemurungan dan isu masalah mental semakin meningkat membatik remaja serta belia.

"Kita berharap ia dapat melahirkan sukarelawan bagi membantu mengesan tanda awal kemurungan dan tekanan mental di kalangan ahli keluarga, rakan dan masyarakat.

"Sukarelawan dilatih memberikan pertolongan seperti mendapatkan intervensi perubahan atau bantuan lain mengikut keperluan," katanya ditemui pada bengkel berkenaan di Pusat Aktiviti Warga Emas, Jalan Tembikai, di sini, baru-baru ini.

Bengkel sehari itu mengupas topik berkaitan asas pertolongan cemas psikologi, cara pengendalian pertolongan cemas psikologi, pemakanan dan gaya hidup serta cara menangani tekanan hidup dengan pengurusan emosi yang baik.



Suraiza (kanan) menyampaikan cenderamata kepada penceramah pada program Tautan Ihsan - Psychological First Aider di Bukit Mertajam, semalam. Turut hadir, Pengurus Pertubuhan Tunas Nuraga Malaysia, Azlan Dolah. (Foto Danial Saad/BH)

Stabilkan tekanan emosi

Program pertolongan cemas psikologi, katanya, masih dianggap baharu di Malaysia dan diperkenalkan sejak insiden kehilangan pesawat MH370 ahli keluarga mangsa berdepan emosi sangat mencabar dan memerlukan bantuan menstabilkan tekanan dihadapi.

"Ilmu pertolongan cemas psikologi ini sangat memerlukan untuk kegunaan sendiri dan ban-

tu masyarakat.

"Kita tak dapat lari daripada rasa marah, kecewa yang membuatkan kemurungan memikirkan masalah. Jika terus melayan emosi akan mengubah mental menjadi ganas dan situasi itu perlu diatasi di peringkat awal," katanya.

Suraiza berkata, kesihatan mental sama seperti penyakit lain seperti kencing manis dan darah tinggi yang sama terkait

dengan pemakanan, namun memerlukan cara yang berbeza untuk menanganinya.

"Orang yang mempunyai masalah berkaitan kesihatan mental ini apabila mereka bercerita situasi, mereka pantang mendengar perkataan sabar yang akan memburukkan lagi situasi.

"Justeru, kita memerlukan ilmu untuk membantu mereka mengurangkan tekanan yang dihadapi.



TAJUK :	PESARA RUGI RM300,000 TERPEDAYA PELABURAN TAK WUJUD		
HARI :	SELASA	AKHBAR :	BERITA HARIAN
TARIKH :	07 NOV 2023	M/SURAT :	17
TONE :	NEGATIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Pesara rugi RM300,000 terpedaya pelaburan tak wujud

Batu Pahat: Hasrat pesara wanita mendapat pulangan berganda bertukar mimpi ngeri apabila kerugian hampir RM300,000 selepas terpedaya dengan skim pelaburan tidak wujud sejak April lalu.

Mangsa berusia 62 tahun dilaporkan berminat menyertai pelaburan itu selepas tertarik dengan tawaran yang menjanjikan pulangan lumayan.

Ketua Polis Daerah Batu Pahat, Asisten Komisioner Ismail Dollah, berkata warga emas itu berurusan dengan seorang lelaki melalui Facebook dan WhatsApp mengenai pelaburan bitcoin.

Beliau berkata, sepanjang urusan itu, suspek menjanjikan mangsa pulangan berganda jika menyertainya.

"Mangsa kemudian memberikan maklumat peribadi termasuk nombor akaun bagi tujuan pendaftaran.

"Tanpa waswas mangsa memasukkan wang berjumlah RM35,200 ke dalam tujuh akaun bank secara berperingkat," katanya menerusi kenyataan.

Ismail berkata, mangsa diupman apabila ada wang hasil keuntungan pelaburan namun perlu membayar terlebih dahulu bagi membolehkan ia dikeluarkan.

"Mangsa perlu bayar RM164,417 terlebih dahulu, barulah keuntungan diperoleh boleh dikeluarkan.

"Pada masa sama, suspek memberitahu wang itu akan dikembalikan sekiranya mangsa bebas daripada sebarang aktiviti pengubahan wang haram.

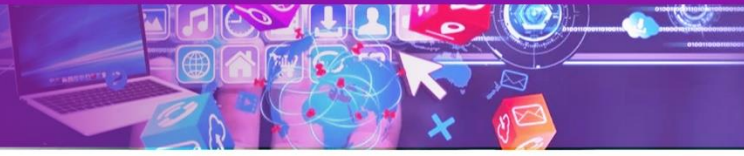
"Selain itu, mangsa juga diarahkan membayar RM99,636 bagi tujuan pembayaran tukaran asing namun sehingga kini, mangsa tidak menerima pulangan seperti dijanjikan," katanya.

Susulan itu, Ismail berkata, mangsa berada ditipu membuat laporan di Ibu Pejabat Polis Daerah (IPD) Batu Pahat, kelmarin.

"Polis masih menjalankan siasatan dan kes disiasat mengikut Seksyen 420 Kanun Keseksaan," katanya.

Ismail
Dollah





TAJUK : PUSAT KHIDMAT DUN GALAS BANTU GOLONGAN ASNAF

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : BERITA HARIAN

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 22

STONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Pusat khidmat DUN Galas bantu golongan asnaf

Gua Musang: Sumbangan pelbagai jenis makanan kepada golongan asnaf mampu mengurangkan bebanan yang kini dihipit dengan kos sara hidup semakin meningkat.

Antara barangan untuk keperluan harian seperti beras, telur, gula dan minyak masak amat besar maknanya bagi keluarga asnaf ini yang hidup 'kais pagi makan pagi, kais petang makan petang.'

Pembantu kedai, Sini Disuma, 40, berkata dia bersyukur menerima sumbangan bahan makanan yang mampu meringankan beban keluarganya.

Setiap minggu Sini berbelanja RM200 hanya membeli keperluan makanan asas untuk tujuh anaknya.

"Harga beras mencecah RM40 sekampit, itu belum lagi bahan asas untuk memasak dan lauk-pauk.

"Dengan pendapatan saya sebagai pembantu kedai makan hanya cukup menampung perbelanjaan harian dan tidak termasuk

dana kecemasan ketika sakit," katanya.

Sini antara golongan asnaf menerima sumbangan daripada Pusat Khidmat Dewan Undangan Negeri (DUN) Galas, yang menyediakan sebanyak 200 bakul makanan setiap bulan kepada kelompok berkenaan.

Katanya, anaknya juga menerima bantuan Rancangan Makanan Tambahan di sekolah.

"Saya hanya perlu sediakan belanja ke Kelas Asas Fardu Ain (KAFA) dan dapat menjimatkan kos belanja harian.

Tukang rumah, Hussin Salleh, 58, pula berkata pekerjaannya itu tidak mampu menampung keperluan makanan sembilan anaknya.

Justeru, dia terpaksa berjimat menggunakan duit simpanan bagi menampung perbelanjaan harian keluarga.

"Saya bersyukur menerima bantuan ini dan berharap dilakukan secara menyeluruh untuk semua yang memerlukan," katanya.

Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri (ADUN) Galas, Mohd Syahbuddin Hashim, berkata setiap bulan menjadi rutin memberi sumbangan itu bagi meringankan beban rakyat.

Katanya, sejak kebelakangan ini semakin ramai rakyat memohon bakul makanan disebabkan kenaikan harga barang.

"Kebanyakan penerima mereka yang bekerja, tetapi gaji bulanan tidak mencukupi menampung perbelanjaan kerana kenaikan harga barang.

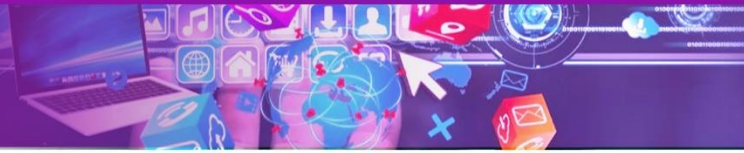
"Bilangan rakyat memerlukan barangan keperluan asas seperti susu dan lampin pakai buang per-cuma juga meningkat.

Kebanyakan rakyat memohon bantuan mempunyai bilangan anak ramai dan tinggal di kawasan setinggan.

"Kami turut menyediakan khidmat kaunseling dan cara menguruskan kewangan. Kita dapat pendapatan tidak seberapa dan perbelanjaan berlebihan," katanya.



Sini (dua dari kiri) bersama penerima bantuan bakul makanan di Pusat Khidmat DUN Galas, baru-baru ini. (Foto Paya Linda Yahya/BH)



TAJUK : TUKANG MASAK DIPERINTAH DIHANTAR KE HENRY GURNEY

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : BERITA HARIAN

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 14

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Tukang masak diperintah dihantar ke Henry Gurney

Georgetown: Mahkamah Sesyen, di sini semalam memerintahkan seorang pemuda berusia 19 tahun yang mengaku salah terhadap pertuduhan merompak pelancong asing bulan bulan lalu, dihantar ke Sekolah Henry Gurney di Telok Mas, Melaka.

Hakim Mazdi Abdul Hamid mengarahkan Muhamad Imran Yahya menjalani hukuman itu selama tiga tahun atau sehingga berusia 21 tahun, atau mana-mana terlebih dahulu dalam tempoh berkenaan.

Tertuduh yang bekerja sebagai

tukang masak sebelum itu mengaku salah merompak wanita di sebuah kedai makan di Lebuah Campbell dan mengambil beg mengandungi telefon bimbit, cermin mata, serangkai kunci dan kad British Columbia Services atas nama mangsa kira-kira jam 5.20 petang pada 28 Oktober lalu.

Pendakwaan dilakukan mengikut Seksyen 392 Kanun Keseksaan yang memperuntukkan hukuman penjara maksimum 14 tahun, denda dan sebat, jika sabit kesalahan.

Timbalan Pendakwa Raya,

Lee Jun Keong memohon tertuduh dikenakan hukuman penjara maksimum bukan hanya sebagai pengajaran untuk individu terbabit, malah memberi iktibar kepada masyarakat memandangkan jenayah itu dilakukan di tempat awam secara terbuka.

Muhamad Imran yang tidak diwakili peguam ketika rayuan dengan nada sebak berkata dia anak bongsu daripada empat beradik dan turut membantu menanggung ibu bapanya yang kini tidak bekerja.

“Saya tiada pendidikan hanya

sekolah sampai darjah enam. Saya insaf Yang Arif,” katanya.

Didakwa dua kes lain

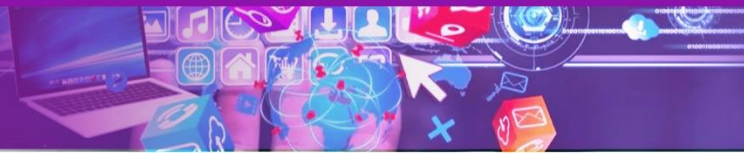
Dalam prosiding dikendalikan Timbalan Pendakwa Raya, Puteri Nor Nadia Mohamed Iqbal di mahkamah berasingan, Muhammad Imran memohon dibicarakan atas dua lagi pertuduhan merompak dua wanita lain yang didakwa dilakukannya pada 3 dan 28 Oktober lalu.

Kes pertama iaitu pada 3 Oktober didakwa di bawah Seksyen 394 Kanun Keseksaan, manakala kes

kedua kerana melakukan kesalahan sama di bawah Seksyen 392 Kanun Keseksaan.

Hakim Mohammad Khalid Ab Karim menawarkan jaminan RM5,000 dan RM7,000 bagi setiap pertuduhan berserta dua syarat tambahan iaitu perlu melapor diri setiap 1 hari bulan di balai polis berdekatan sehingga kes selesai dan tidak mengganggu mangsa walau dengan apa jua cara sekalipun.

Mahkamah menetapkan 4 Disember ini sebagai tarikh sebutan semula kes.



TAJUK : DUA LAGI PPS DIBUKA DI SELANGOR

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 09

TONE : NEUTRAL

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Dua lagi PPS dibuka di Selangor

Kuala Lumpur: Dua lagi pusat pemindahan sementara (PPS) dibuka di Selangor menjadikan keseluruhan tujuh setakat pagi semalam bagi menempatkan mangsa banjir di Sepang, Hulu Langat dan Subang Jaya.

Info Bencana Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) memaklumkan seramai 579 orang melibatkan 157 keluarga dipindahkan ke tujuh PPS itu.

Tujuh PPS itu ialah Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Bangi dan SK Semenyih di Hulu Langat membabitkan 96 mangsa manakala 10 individu ditempatkan di PPS Dewan Serbaguna Majlis Bandaraya Subang Jaya (MBSJ) Camelia Seksyen 10, Putra Heights.

Empat lagi PPS dibuka di Sepang menempatkan 473 mangsa iaitu di

Dewan Orang Ramai Kampung Dato Ahmad Razali, Dewan Orang Ramai Jenderam Hilir, Dewan Orang Ramai Taman Gemilang dan Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Dengkil.

Sementara di PERAK, seramai 219 mangsa banjir daripada 63 keluarga masih ditempatkan di empat PPS di daerah Hilir Perak dan Kerian.

Sekretariat Jawatankuasa Pengurusan Bencana Negeri Perak dalam kenyataan memaklumkan di Hilir Perak, jumlah mangsa kekal 53 orang daripada 17 keluarga di PPS Dewan Serbaguna Padang Tembak dan 12 daripada tiga keluarga masih di PPS Dewan Majlis Perbandaran Teluk Intan.

"Mangsa banjir di Kerian pula kekal 97 orang daripada 24 keluarga yang

ditempatkan di PPS Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Changkat Lobak dan 57 orang daripada 19 keluarga berlindung di PPS SK Alor Pongsu," menurut kenyataan itu.

Sementara itu, Jabatan Pengairan dan Saliran (JPS) melaporkan paras Sungai Bidor di Changkat Jong berada pada tahap bahaya dengan mencatat ketinggian 4.02 meter manakala Sungai Kinta di Weir Tanjung Tualang dan Sungai Slim di Slim River pada paras berjaga-jaga, masing-masing dengan 13.29 meter dan 25 meter.

Berdasarkan maklumat daripada Jabatan Meteorologi, cuaca diramal baik pagi semalam namun hujan dan ribut dijangka berlaku di kebanyakan daerah di Perak pada petang dan malam.



TAJUK : NYAWA DALAM KOTAK!

HARI : SELASA

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

STONE : NEGATIF

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

M/SURAT : 06

SEKTOR : KPWKM

BAYI PEREMPUAN DITEMUI DI TEMPAT WUDUK MASJID

Nyawa dalam kotak!

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Kota Kinabalu

“Tolong jaga atau letak anak di rumah anak yatim. Saya mohon maaf kerana tidak dapat menjaga anak ini, keadaan dan bukan rezeki saya untuk besarkan dia. Terima kasih banyak-banyak.”

Begitu antara isi kandungan nota yang ditemui bersama bayi perempuan dipercayai berusia seminggu di tempat mengambil wuduk Masjid Taman Seri Gaya, Luyang di sini, kira-kira 9 malam kelmarin.

Imam masjid berkenaan, Adzwan Erman, 28, berkata kejadian disedari apabila dia bersama isteri dan anaknya terdengar bunyi bisik ketika keluar dari

kenderaan untuk masuk ke rumahnya yang terletak di belakang masjid.

“Ketika itu, saya ingatkan bunyi kucing kerana masjid terletak berhampiran taman perumahan lalu membawa isteri dan anak masuk ke dalam rumah.

“Saya kemudian keluar semula untuk mengambil barang dan ‘bunyi’ itu semakin kuat seakan tangisan bayi,” katanya ketika ditemui di lokasi kejadian.

Adzwan berkata, akibat rasa curiga, dia kemudian memeriksa sebelum menyedari ada sebuah kotak di tempat wuduk.

“Saya terkejut apabila melihat bayi perempuan dibaluti kain di dalam kotak, lalu mengangkat dan membawanya masuk ke dalam masjid.

“Terdapat surat bersama bayi terbabit lalu saya



SURAT yang ditemui bersama bayi di dalam kotak yang ditinggalkan di tempat mengambil wuduk.

“Tolong jaga atau letak anak di rumah anak yatim. Saya mohon maaf kerana tidak dapat menjaga anak ini, keadaan dan bukan rezeki saya untuk besarkan dia. Terima kasih banyak-banyak”

memberitahu ahli masjid sebelum mereka menghubungi pihak polis,” katanya.

Sementara itu, Ketua Polis Daerah Kota Kinabalu, Asisten Komisioner Mohd Zaidi Abdullah berkata, berdasarkan nota yang ditinggalkan, bayi berkenaan yang cukup sifat dilahirkan pada 31 Oktober lalu.

Menurutnya, individu yang meninggalkan bayi itu memohon maaf kerana tidak dapat menjaga anaknya atas faktor ketidakt



BAYI perempuan berkenaan dibawa ke HQE untuk pemeriksaan lanjut.

mampuan serta memintanya dihantar ke rumah anak yatim.

Katanya, bayi berkenaan dibawa ke Hospital Queen Elizabeth (HQE) untuk pemeriksaan lanjut dan kes disiasat mengikut Seksyen 317 Kanun Keseksaan.

“Orang ramai yang mempunyai maklumat mengenai kejadian diminta menghubungi Pegawai Penyiasat Inspektor Hatikah Ahmad di talian 016-8337246 atau balai polis berhampiran,” katanya.

“**Saya terkejut apabila melihat bayi perempuan dibaluti kain di dalam kotak**”
Adzwan



TAJUK : PEMUDA DIHANTAR KE SEKOLAH HENRY GURNEY

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 10

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

ROMPAK PELANCONG

Pemuda dihantar ke Sekolah Henry Gurney

Georgetown: Mahkamah Sesyen di sini, semalam memerintahkan pemuda berusia 19 tahun dihantar ke Sekolah Henry Gurney, Telok Mas, Melaka selepas mengaku bersalah merompak pelancong asing, bulan lalu.

Hakim Mazdi Abdul Hamid mengarahkan pemuda terbabit menjalani hukuman di pusat itu selama tiga tahun atau sehingga berusia 21 tahun atau mana-mana terlebih dahulu dalam tempoh berkenaan.

Muhamad Imran Yahya yang bekerja sebagai tukang masak didakwa merompak pelancong wanita di kedai makan di Lebuh Campbell dan mengambil beg mengandungi telefon bimbit, cermin mata, serangkaian kunci dan kad British Columbia Services atas nama mangsa pada jam 5.20 petang, 28 Oktober lalu.

Kesalahan didakwa mengikut Seksyen 392 Kanun Keseksaan yang memperuntukkan hukuman penjara maksimum 14 tahun, denda dan sebat, jika sabit kesalahan.

Berdasarkan fakta kes, tertuduh yang menunggang motosikal Honda Dash merompak beg mangsa yang diletakkan di atas meja

makan sebelum melarikan diri.

Namun nombor plat kenderaan terbabit sempat dilihat saksi kejadian yang menyebabkan dia ditahan pada hari sama.

Pendakwa dikendalikan Timbalan Pendakwa Raya, Lee Jun Keong manakala Muhamad Imran tidak diwakili peguam.

Dalam rayuannya, tertuduh dengan nada sebak berkata, dia anak bongsu daripada empat beradik yang turut membantu menanggung kedua ibu bapa yang tidak bekerja.

"Saya ingin membuat rayuan untuk kurangkan hu-

kuman kerana tanggung ibu bapa tidak bekerja. Di rumah hanya abang sulung jaga ibu bapa. Saya tiada pendidikan hanya sekolah sampai darjah enam. Saya insaf Yang Arif," katanya.

Pemuda itu turut memberitahu motosikal yang digunakan ketika melakukan jenayah adalah kepunyaan ibunya dan mahkamah menjelaskan kenderaan itu boleh dituntut pemilik mengikut prosedur ditetapkan.

Hakim Mazdi berkata, mahkamah meneliti tujuh faktor dalam membuat keputusan termasuk mempertimbangkan tertuduh

yang mengaku bersalah, tiada sabitan bersalah kes lampau, umur yang ma-

sih muda selain pengadu tidak mengalami kecederaan atau kerugian harta benda kerana barangannya telah ditemui semula.

"Hukuman bukan sahaja berbentuk literal tetapi juga mesti memberi pengajaran dan bertujuan mendidik untuk membawa kamu kembali ke pangkal jalan," katanya.

Sementara itu, dalam prosiding dikendalikan Timbalan Pendakwa Raya, Puteri Nor Nadia Mohamed Iqbal di mahkamah berasingan, Muhammad Imran memohon untuk dibicarakan atas dua lagi pertuduhan merompak dua wanita lain pada 3 dan 28 Oktober lalu.

Kes pertama iaitu pada 3 Oktober didakwa mengikut Seksyen 394 Kanun Keseksaan yang boleh membawa hukuman penjara 20 tahun, denda atau sebat jika sabit kesalahan manakala bagi kes kedua tertuduh didakwa melakukan kesalahan itu mengikut Seksyen 392 Kanun Keseksaan.

Hakim Mohammad Khalid Ab Karim menawarkan jaminan RM5,000 dan RM7,000 bagi setiap pertuduhan berserta dua syarat tambahan iaitu perlu melapor diri pada setiap satu hari bulan di balai polis berdekatan sehingga kes selesai dan tidak mengganggu mangsa.

Mahkamah menetapkan 4 Disember ini sebagai tarikh sebutan semula kes.



MUHAMMAD Imran diiringi anggota polis di Mahkamah Sesyen Georgetown. - Gambar NSTP/DANIAL SAAD



TAJUK : TUMBUK, TENDANG SEBELUM LIBAS PARANG

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 04

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Tumbuk, tendang sebelum libas parang

Bapa serang anak berusia 12 tahun didakwa miliki senjata bahaya

Kuala Kangsar

Seorang lelaki yang ditahan kerana menumbuk dan menendang anak kandungnya yang berusia 12 tahun, didakwa di Mahkamah Sesyen di sini, semalam atas tuduhan memiliki senjata berbahaya iaitu sebilah parang.

Tertuduh Mohamad Zairi Mohamad Nawi, 37, mengaku tidak bersalah atas pertuduhan memiliki parang berhulu plastik berwarna merah tanpa sebarang maksud yang sah di tepi jalan Kampung Perah, Gerik, pada 3.45 petang, 30

Oktober lalu.

Pertuduhan dibuat mengikut Seksyen 6(1) Akta Bahan-Bahan Kakisan dan Letupan dan Senjata Berbahaya 1958 yang membawa hukuman penjara maksimum 10 tahun dan sebat, jika sabit kesalahan.

Timbalan Pendakwa Raya Muhammad Firdaus Nor Azlan tidak menawarkan sebarang jaminan, sementara tertuduh yang tidak diwakili peguam tidak merayu untuk diberi jaminan, selain memak-

lumkan tiada ahli keluarga yang hadir untuk menjamin dirinya.

Hakim Rohaida Ishak menetapkan sebutan semula kes untuk lantikan peguam pada 6 Disember ini dan tiada jaminan dibenarkan.

Pada 30 Oktober lalu, media melaporkan seorang kanak-kanak lelaki berusia 12 tahun cedera akibat ditumbuk dan ditendang bapa kandung semasa berada di rumah ibu saudaranya di Kampung

Perah pada petang 29 Oktober.

Ketua Polis Daerah Gerik Superintendan Zulkifli Mahmood memaklumkan, siasatan awal mendapati kejadian berlaku ketika suspek berusia 37 tahun itu datang ke rumah pengadu yang merupakan wanita warga Thailand berusia 35 tahun pada kira-kira 5 petang.

Beliau berkata, suspek kemudian bertindak menumbuk dan menendang belakang badan kanak-kanak itu serta melibas sebilah parang yang berada di tangannya dan hampir mengenai mangsa.

Timbalan pendakwa raya tidak menawarkan sebarang jaminan



MOHAMAD Zairi mengaku tidak bersalah atas pertuduhan memiliki parang di Mahkamah Sesyen Kuala Kangsar, semalam.



TAJUK : COPS RECEIVE REPORT ON MCKK BULLYING

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : NEW STRAITS TIMES

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 07

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM



The Malay College Kuala Kangsar Parent-Teacher Association says disseminating information on the bullying case on social media has damaged the school's reputation. PIC FROM MCKK'S FACEBOOK PAGE

VIRAL MESSAGES

COPS RECEIVE REPORT ON MCKK BULLYING

3 Form Four allegedly beaten up by 5 Form Five students

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POLICE have confirmed receiving a report about a bullying case involving Forms Four and Five students at Malay College Kuala Kangsar (MCKK).

District police chief Assistant Commissioner Omar Bakhtiar Yaacob said police came across viral messages relating to the incident on Saturday after it was posted on Instagram.

"The bullying took place on Sept 24 about 10.05pm.

"In the incident, the victim, a Form Four student, was beaten up by a Form Five student.

"The victim was taken to Kuala Kangsar Hospital by the school. Further checks showed normal physical findings and the victim did not suffer any serious injury."

The case is being investigated for voluntarily causing hurt, which provides a maximum jail term of one year or a maximum fine of RM2,000 or both, if convicted.

He urged people not to make comments and baseless speculations about the case.

It is learnt that three Form Four students were involved in the bullying incident where they were beaten up by five Form Five students.

The MCKK Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) expressed regret about the incident.

The association, through a Facebook posting, said the action of the bullied student's family disseminating information on the case on social media had a big impact and damaged the school's good image as a reputable institution.

The statement said the PTA was aware that the disciplinary case involving the bullying incident had been investigated and action had been taken by the school, which was why the PTA had taken a position on the matter: that the decision taken by the school was considered transparent and without any interference from any party.

"The stance, among other things, is that action taken by the school need to be respected based on due consideration that has been given to the welfare and goodness of all.

"Besides, the school has complied with all procedures in making decisions.

"We are aware of the threats made viral from this case through a letter sent by a group of parents of Form Four students if the school's decisions and actions relating to the students involved are not changed.

"We condemn the attempted intervention of the parents involved in the management of this school."



TAJUK : MAN HELD FOR PUNCHING SON PLEADS NOT GUILTY TO POSSESSING MACHETE

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : NEW STRAITS TIMES

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 09

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

CASE REMENTION ON DEC 6

Man held for punching son pleads not guilty to possessing machete

KUALA KANGSAR: A man, 37, who was arrested for punching and kicking his 12-year-old son, was charged in the Sessions Court here yesterday with possessing a machete last week.

The accused pleaded not guilty to the charge of possessing a machete with a red plastic tip without any legal purpose on the side of the road in Kampung Perah, Gerik, about 3.45pm, on Oct 30.

Deputy public prosecutor Muhammad Firdaus Nor Azlan did not offer any bail.

The accused, who was not represented by a lawyer, did not plead for bail, other than saying that no family member was present to vouch for him.

Judge Rohaida Ishak set remention of the case to appoint a lawyer on Dec 6 and no bail was allowed.

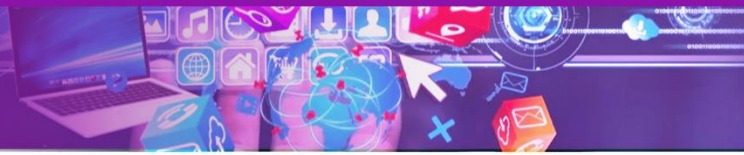


The 37-year-old man was charged at the Kuala Kangsar Sessions Court yesterday with possessing a machete. BERNAMA PIC

On Oct 30, the media reported that a 12-year-old boy was injured as a result of being punched and kicked by his father at his aunt's house in Kampung Perah on Oct 29.

Gerik police chief Superintendent Zulkifli Mahmood said the incident happened when the suspect had gone to the house of the complainant, a 35-year-old Thai woman, about 5pm.

He said the suspect punched and kicked the child's back, and swung a machete in his hand and almost hit the victim. **Berna-**



TAJUK : MUM OF BULLIED STUDENT CLAIMS PTA BIASED

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : NEW STRAITS TIMES

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

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TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

SEEKING PUBLIC APOLOGY

Mum of bullied student claims PTA biased

KUALA LUMPUR: The bullying case involving Forms Four and Five students at Malay College Kuala Kangsar (MCKK) has taken on a new twist with one of the parents saying the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA) is biased.

This is because some parents from the PTA are parents of the alleged bullies, leading to questions being raised about the PTA's impartiality in handling the case.

One mother, who wanted to be known only as Puan F, also accused the PTA of going overboard by naming her family in its statement on Facebook.

"By doing so, they are endangering us. We were particular not to cause harm as much as possible to specific people.

"We are aware that there are certain lines you do not cross.

"So it's unfortunate that the PTA seems to have crossed the line by exposing the names.

"They are putting us at risk. My daughter's name is out there."

Taking down the post would not suffice, said Puan F, and she demanded a public apology from the PTA for endangering their family's security.

She claimed it was a clear violation and because of their action, she had been receiving threats from unknown numbers.

The PTA released a statement in support of the school yesterday and claimed that the act of making the case go viral was selfish and had caused the bullies to be harassed by the public.

Puan F said the PTA's statement showed that this case would not see justice.

"There was no acknowledgement, no empathy whatsoever from them.

"All they talked about was about their own reputation. They are victimising themselves and targeting us directly."

The mother claimed that her son was not the only victim that night.

There were other boys from his batch, she said, who were also hurt, but his case became an issue because a police report was made.

The report, she said, was not made by the school but the hospital instead.

She applauded the hospital for taking action for her son.

She said the Form Four students were called in for an illegal assembly in the middle of the night by a group of Form Five students who were not only seniors but also held student leadership positions, such as school prefects and house captains.

"My son was taken to not only one but three hospitals on the advice of the doctors on duty because they suspected serious injury.

"Why was his injury overlooked (by the school)? He did not inflict the injuries on himself.

"Come to think of it, shouldn't we be thankful that upon further tests, the injury was found not as serious as initially thought?

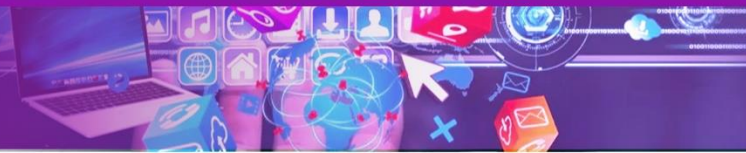
"The deed is done and it was a clear act perpetrated to cause harm and, now, much distress to our son."

Puan F highlighted that their fight was never against the school.

She said she respected the school and the contributions it had made over the years.

She said her son loved the school despite its shortcomings, but people seem to forget that this was a case of bullying.

She said she was worried about her son's wellbeing, knowing that the bullies were still at the school and questioned what the people responsible were doing to ensure his safety and that of his friends.



TAJUK :	COME FORWARD SEEK APPROPRIATE TREATMENTS, THOSE WITH STDs TOLD		
HARI :	SELASA	AKHBAR :	THE BORNEO POST
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Come forward, seek appropriate treatments, those with STDs told

KUCHING: Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah has called upon individuals who have contracted sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) to come forward and get the appropriate treatments.

The Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development Minister says this is necessary to prevent the diseases from being transmitted to other individuals.

"This is also to prevent the diseases, like HIV/AIDS, to progress into a more serious stage" she told reporters during a visit to the Sarawak Association for the Welfare of Intellectual Disabled Children (Perkata) here yesterday.

Fatimah's remarks came in response to Education Minister Fadhlina Sidek's statement about a total of 913 Malaysian teenagers, some as young as 13, having tested positive for STDs, in a data recorded from 2018 to 2022.

Fadhlina was quoted to have said that there were 225 cases of STDs among those aged 13 to 17 in 2018, while 225 cases were recorded in 2019.

Citing the information provided by the Ministry of Health (MoH), Fadhlina said the most common STDs found were syphilis, gonorrhoea, chancroid, and HIV/AIDS.

On this, Fatimah, said STDs constituted one of the 14 critical focus areas under the Social Development Council, which also included drug abuse and teenage pregnancy.

"When we first started, the STD cases that we were working on were among the housewives," she said, adding that now that young adults and those still in school had been discovered to have been involved and thus, also included into the focus group.

Fatimah believed that in view of STDs being 'closely associated with the private parts', many of the carriers and sufferers chose to not come forward to receive early treatments.



TAJUK : **ILLEGAL ONLINE GAMBLING: MAN SLAPPED WITH RM800 FINE**

HARI : **SELASA**

AKHBAR : **THE BORNEO POST**

TARIKH : **07 NOV 2023**

M/SURAT : **06**

TONE : **NEGATIF**

SEKTOR : **KPWKM**

Illegal online gambling: Man slapped with RM800 fine

MIRI: A 61-year-old man was slapped with RM800 fine in default one week in jail by the Magistrates' Court here yesterday for gambling at a public place.

The sentence was imposed by Magistrate Randu Rangen on Sim Hock Bock of Lorong 9, Krokop here, following his guilty plea to the charge read against him under Section 7(2) of the Common Gaming House Act 1953.

The Section provides for a

fine not exceeding RM5,000 or a jail sentence of up to six months or both, upon conviction.

According to facts of the case, Sim was caught when a team of police that was conducting Ops Dadu Khas raided an eatery shop on Aug 7 this year, around 10pm, at Centre Point 1 here. The operation was to detect illegal online gambling.

During the operation, police detained the accused who was sitting at one of the tables in

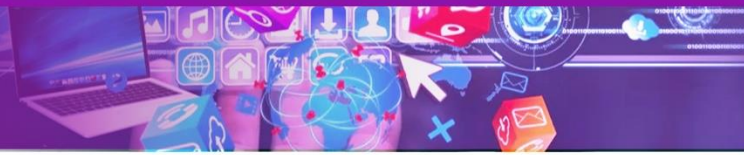
the shop while engaging in activities on the phone.

Further police investigation on the suspect's smartphone, showed that it had the application for online gambling.

Thereafter, Sim was detained and his phone was seized.

At the court, the accused pleaded for a lighter sentence as he did not have a job.

The prosecution was handled by Insp Mudzilawati Abdul Rahman, while Sim was not represented by counsel.



TAJUK : MINISTER: WORKS ON NEW DYSLEXIC ASSOCIATION SARAWAK'S BUILDING IN DESA WIRA PROGRESSING WELL

HARI : SELASA AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023 M/SURAT : 07

TONE : POSITIF SEKTOR : KPWKM

Minister: Works on new Dyslexic Association Sarawak's building in Desa Wira progressing well

KUCHING: The progress of works on the new Dyslexic Association Sarawak (DASwk) building in Taman Desa Wira here is over 10 per cent ahead of schedule, says Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah.

According to the Minister of Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development, the new three-storey block, of which the works kicked off in February this year, should reach completion by end of August next year.

"The works progress now is at 41.75 per cent towards completion, about 10 per cent ahead of schedule.

"The new building will provide more classrooms to accommodate the growing demand of many children with dyslexia and other learning disabilities.

"It will also have hostel facilities for families from outside Kuching," Fatimah told reporters when met during her visit to the project site on Block 225 of Kuching North Land

District at Lorong Desa Wira off Jalan Batu Kawa here yesterday.

According to Fatimah – also the advisor to the DASwk, the association is currently occupying an old government quarters at Jalan Maxwell, pending the relocation to the new headquarters.

Adding on, she said the state government had allocated RM3.954 million to the association on April 22 last year, meant for the new building project.

"It has been a long journey for the association, as they have tried raising funds through charity dinners, concerts, runs, food sales and so on, but it's not sufficient for the new building project.

"Still, in view of the association's good record in helping individuals with dyslexia in Sarawak, the government has been very supportive of what DASwk is doing."

Fatimah said with commitment from everyone and with proper

intervention, dyslexic children and individuals could go further in school and become successful people in the community.

"Firstly, we need to create awareness among public, including the parents and the teachers, of what dyslexia is all about.

"We can help the children, provided that the proper and correct intervention measures are being done, starting from assessment and then diagnoses, and the next steps.

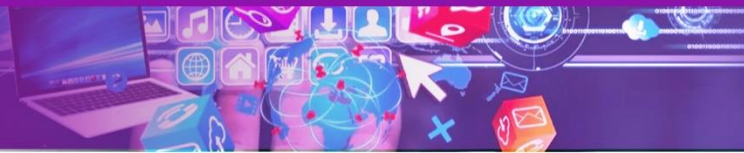
"DASwk has also reached out to the teachers in areas as far as Bario. We know that they're very thankful for the opportunity to learn the skills to help dyslexic children," said Fatimah.

It is informed that at the moment, DASwk has a staff strength of six consisting five teachers and an assistant.

"There are 36 registered students and out of that number, 26 are still following programmes run under DASwk," added Fatimah.



Fatimah (seated, fourth left) and others during the visit to the new DASwk building that is still under construction in Desa Wira here.



TAJUK : S'WAK'S FIRST 'ENABLING VILLAGE' SET FOR COMPLETION IN 2026

HARI : SELASA

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Fatimah (standing right) meets with some of Perkata's students.

S'wak's first 'Enabling Village' set for completion in 2026

KUCHING: The first 'Enabling Village' in Sarawak is expected to be ready by 2026, says Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah.

The Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development Minister points out that the centre would cater to disabled individuals who are heavily reliant on caregivers.

"In Sarawak, we don't have special services for these individuals, especially when their caretakers, such as their parents or other family members, pass away; what happens to them?"

"Some disabled individuals, such as those with cerebral palsy, need caretakers for the rest of their lives. So, we must cater for these groups so that there's a place to accommodate them while being taken care of," she

told reporters when met after visiting the Sarawak Association for the Welfare of Intellectually Disabled Children (Perkata) here yesterday.

Fatimah said the centre, to be built on a 10,000-hectare site in Kota Samarahan, was currently at the stage of having consultants appointed by the Public Works Department (JKR).

"The target is by 2026, but the earlier the better. The complex is planned to cater for all spectrums and needs, but it's estimated to take two years to build.

"On another hand, we have to discuss with educators and hear the perspectives from relevant groups," she added.

On her visit, Fatimah said 81 students had enrolled with

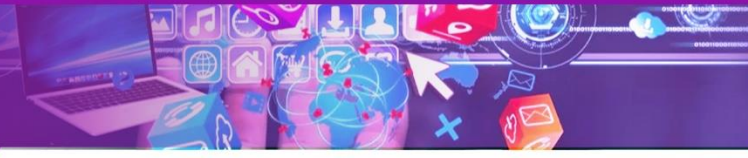
Perkata as at Oct 31 this.

"They consist of autistic students, as well as those with Down's syndrome, intellectual disabilities, and global development delay, amongst others."

The state minister also called for corporate bodies, companies, and the public to assist in funding Perkata's operational costs and staff allowances.

"Being a non-governmental organisation (NGO), Perkata receives funding from the public and government grants.

"The state grant from the Sarawak Welfare Department funds activities and the federal grant from the Malaysian Welfare Department funds the special children's allowance and administration," she added.



TAJUK :	VERTIGO NOT JUST ASSOCIATED WITH ADULTS BUT CHILDREN TOO - EXPERT		
HARI :	SELASA	AKHBAR :	THE BORNEO POST
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Vertigo not just associated with adults but children too — Experts

KUALA LUMPUR: Amni (not her real name) was like any other normal and active five-year-old until lately when she seemed to have become clumsy and tended to fall easily.

The little girl also preferred to keep to herself or lie down rather than play with her friends.

After observing these changes in her daughter, her worried mother took her for a check-up which found that the girl chose to lie down to avoid feeling as if she was being 'tossed around in a boat'.

Amni's condition was diagnosed as vertigo, which is characterised by a sensation of motion or spinning often described as dizziness. People with vertigo feel as though they are actually spinning or moving, or that the world is spinning around them.

Vertigo can occur as a result of a condition affecting the inner ear or certain parts of the brain that disrupts the body's balance. Symptoms of vertigo include headache, nausea, vomiting,



Dr Nor Haniza, seen here with a young patient, says even though vertigo is not all that common in children, parents and caregivers still need to be vigilant about its symptoms. — Bernama photos

sweating, ringing in the ears, problems focusing the eyes and loss of balance which may cause falls.

As early as two years old

Although vertigo is usually associated with adults, children too are at risk of experiencing it.

According to an otorhinolaryngologist at International Islamic University Malaysia, Assistant Prof Dr Norazwani Azwal, vertigo can occur in children as young as two years old.

She said vertigo in children is caused by several conditions, two of which are Vestibular Migraine and Benign Paroxysmal Positional Vertigo (BPPV).

"Vestibular Migraine can cause vertigo to occur in a patient. We need to identify what triggers the migraine attacks first and we will help patients to avoid those triggers," she told Bernama, adding that Vestibular Migraine can occur daily or once a week depending on what the triggers are.

She said parents needed to identify the triggers of migraine in their young children, adding that they could be linked to their diet.

"For example, if your child is allergic to cheese, trying to avoid it can help reduce and prevent the cause of vertigo," she added.

BPPV, meanwhile, is caused by the displacement of small calcium crystals within the inner ear. An

episode of BPPV may last only several seconds and often occurs when a person changes his or her position while lying on the bed.

Dr Norazwani said children with vertigo should be treated promptly, with the mode of treatment subject to the cause of the attack.

They should also get enough rest, she said, adding the doctor would prescribe medications for them after identifying the underlying cause, as well as recommend other treatments involving physical therapy and exercises.

She also said the symptoms of vertigo were nearly the same for adults and children.

"It's easy for parents to identify the symptoms in their young children if they are able to talk as they can say they are feeling nauseous or dizzy.

"In the case of children who are still not able to talk, the parents can detect it when they notice their child walking unsteadily, staggering or having abnormal eye movements," she said, adding that children who have family members with a history of migraine are more likely to develop vertigo caused by Vestibular Migraine or BPPV.

'Digital vertigo'

Meanwhile, Malaysian National Society of Audiologists president Assoc Prof Dr Nor Haniza Abdul Wahat said even though vertigo was not all that common in children, parents and caregivers still needed to be vigilant about its symptoms.

She, however, warned that today's children were at risk of developing 'digital vertigo' caused by prolonged use of gadgets. It had been reported that too much of screen time can cause one to experience dizzy spells and nausea, similar to the symptoms of vertigo.

"Children these days are exposed to various smart devices and visual stimuli which can lead to the onset of vertigo symptoms.

"Our body usually moves in sync with our eyes. However, due to the frequent use of smart

devices, children are spending more time focusing on the screen and having fewer physical movements.

"This can lead to their brains becoming confused, resulting in 'digital vertigo' or 'cybersickness'," pointed out Dr Nor Haniza, who is also a senior lecturer at the Faculty of Health Sciences, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia.

She said although digital vertigo was a relatively new issue compared to the common symptoms of vertigo reported by patients, it should be taken seriously by parents who must take the necessary steps to ensure that their children would grow up into healthy adults.

Columbia Asia Hospital ear, nose and throat specialist Dr Nurhani Yasmin Abdul Rahman concurred with Nor Haniza's views, saying too much screen time could expose smart device users to the risk of developing vertigo.

"(Staring at the screen) can strain the eyes, neck and back as well as disrupt children's sleep patterns. One of the ways to prevent the onset of (digital) vertigo is by reducing screen time," she said.

Dr Nurhani Yasmin added that if left untreated, children with vertigo might experience mental problems over the long term.

"Vertigo sometimes causes them to hear a buzzing sound in their eyes. If this goes on and on, it will affect them mentally and emotionally, even leading to depression," she added.

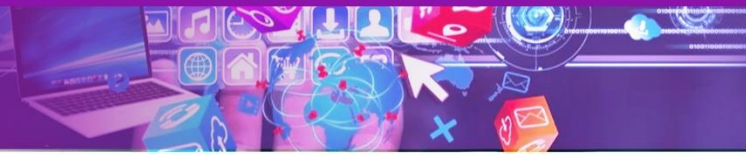
Psychologist and Early Childhood Care and Education Council Malaysia president Prof Datin Dr Mariani Md Nor, meanwhile, said parents must refer to a child specialist if they noticed any physical change in their young children.

"Children are afraid to do physical activities when they experience a vertigo attack (due to its symptoms).

"Should parents notice their children lying down most of the time and feeling uncomfortable, they should be taken to a specialist immediately," she said. — Bernama



According to Dr Nurhani Yasmin, too much screen time can expose smart device users to the risk of developing vertigo.



TAJUK : 19-YEAR-OLD SENT TO JUVENILE SCHOOL FOR ROBBING WOMAN

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

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TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

19-year-old sent to juvenile school for robbing woman

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GEORGE TOWN: A 19-year-old school dropout has been ordered to be sent to the Henry Gurney School in Melaka for robbing a Canadian woman.

Sessions Court judge Mazdi Abdul Hamid said as he took into account that this was Muhamad Imran Yahya's first offence, to which he pleaded guilty, his age and the circumstances of the case, he would be sent to the school for three years, or until he turns 21, whichever comes first.

"While you have another two offences in another court here, we take this as your first time committing an offence.

"The items stolen have been recovered and there was no loss in this case.

"While we must consider public interest, your interests must be considered as well. It must serve as a deterrent but must also be an educational opportunity," he said yesterday.

According to the charge sheet, on Oct 28 at around 5.20pm, Muhamad Imran snatched a backpack from a Canadian

woman's table at a local eatery in Campbell Street.

He was charged under Section 392 of the Penal Code for robbery, which carries a maximum penalty of up to 14 years in prison, a fine, or whipping.

In mitigation, he told the court that he was the youngest of four siblings and that his parents were unemployed.

"My older brother is taking care of them. I stopped school in Year Six.

"I will not do this again," he said in a shaky voice.

Earlier, in a separate Sessions

Court, he claimed trial to two other similar charges before judge Mohammad Khalid Ab Karim.

He was charged with robbing a woman at 6pm on Oct 28 around Campbell Street, less than an hour after robbing the Canadian.

The charge sheet stated that he snatched the woman's bag containing her identification card and driving licence, RM400, a hand-phone and office keys.

He faces a third charge of robbing another woman in Batu Feringghi at around 7am on Oct 3 of RM200 and her bank card.

The facts of the case included

that while snatching the woman's handbag, the victim fell and got injured.

He was charged under Section 394 of the Penal Code which carries a jail term of up to 20 years and a fine and whipping, upon conviction.

Deputy public prosecutor Puteri Nor Nadia Mohamed Iqbal urged the court to disallow bail or offer bail with conditions due to the multiple charges.

The court set bail at RM5,000 and RM7,000 in one surety for the cases, respectively with special conditions.



TAJUK :	FAMILY LEFT HIGH AND DRY BEFORE DEEPAVALI		
HARI :	SELASA	AKHBAR :	THE STAR
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TONE :	NEGATIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Family left high and dry before Deepavali

A FAMILY in Seremban was left fuming after their water supply was disconnected with about a week to Deepavali, *Makkal Osai* reported.

Muniandy Madurai said his family of nine has been living in an area known as Kampung Galena for about 45 years.

The house they are living in belonged to his mother but has been the subject of a court case for nearly a year.

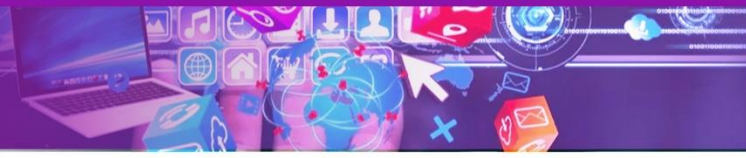
They were taken back when their water supply was cut while the case is still ongoing.

Muniandy appealed to the utility company to reconnect the supply to his home pending the court decision, and especially with Deepavali around the corner.

> A woman in Tamil Nadu, India, who was bitten by a snake gave doctors a fright when she turned up at the hospital with the offending snake in a bag, the daily also reported.

Alagu Rani, 35, was working in a field near Thoothukudi when she was bitten by a highly venomous Indian Krait.

The brave woman then killed the snake, bringing it with her to get treatment.



TAJUK : IMPROVE SERVICES FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND THE DISABLED

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

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TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Improve services for senior citizens and the disabled

AS governments past and present keep trying to improve public services like transport, senior citizens and the disabled continue to be sidelined.

Take train services, for example, in the Klang Valley, this would include the Komuter, LRT, MRT and monorails. You would be lucky to find even one ticketing counter set aside for senior citizens and the disabled. They instead have to fall in with the long queues of younger and non-disabled commuters.

Some places do put up small notices indicating special lanes – but such notices are often placed inconspicuously. In my experience, one would only find out about a special queue after several wasted minutes of queuing that seniors and the disabled don't have to do.

Often, too, you find staff manning such service counters have not been trained or can't be bothered to deal with any special needs that seniors and the disabled might have.

Nowadays, even the polite attitude Asians are said to automatically have for older people seems to often be missing. Our culture – irrespective of whether you are Malay, Chinese, Indian (or "Others") – has always upheld this code of respect for the elderly. What has happened to this honourable social value?

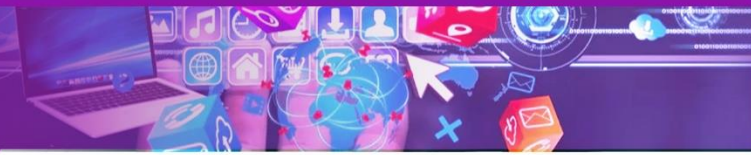
The government of the day proclaims that the inclusive *Madani principles are the bedrock of our nation's future, so it is high time it looked into this failure to cater adequately to the needs of senior citizens and the disabled. Likewise, private sector business operators, whether they are in the food, transport, banking or any other service sector, must be compelled to pay serious attention to this segment of society. Marketing, publicity, promotions and profitability alone don't make up "best business" practices.

Also, the media should conduct regular and periodic investigations and report on the quality of service that senior citizens and the disabled experience in this country.

Shame on those (including in the civil service) who fail repeatedly in the national effort to make Malaysia Madani a success story.

JD LOVRENCIAR
Kuala Lumpur

*Madani is an acronym for the government's over-arching policy that embraces six core values: keMampanan (sustainability), Kesejahteraan (prosperity), Daya cipta (innovation), hormAt (respect), keyakiNan (trust) and lhsan (compassion).



TAJUK : IS YOUR CHILD HEARING YOU?

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 15

TONE : NEUTRAL

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Is your child hearing you?

THE quiet yet profound challenge of hearing loss affects people of all ages, even our youngest. Childhood hearing loss isn't just a concern, it's a pressing public health issue with far-reaching consequences for a child's growth and happiness.

The World Health Organisation recently assessed over 34 million children worldwide and discovered that hearing loss predominantly impacts those in low-to-middle income countries. In Malaysia, the prevalence of hearing loss varies across age groups: it is 3.5% among teenagers aged 13 to 17, 6.6% among children aged seven to 12, and 6.6% among toddlers aged three to six. These statistics are alarming because many cases of hearing loss are preventable.

Children with hearing loss may experience delays in speech and language development, social isolation, poor academic performance, and behavioural issues often misattributed to dyslexia or autism. This can lead to communication difficulties with family, friends and peers, and ultimately to anxiety, depression and frustration. The impact of childhood hearing loss is even more significant when left undetected or untreated in the early stages.

As an audiologist with nine years of experience, I've had the



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privilege of working with numerous patients, and I would like to share one particular story that seems to be an example of what many parents go through.

It began when a child's babysitter remarked to the parents, "I don't know if he can hear me." This prompted the parents to pay closer attention and wonder if their child might have a hearing deficit. Seeking advice from family and friends, they received responses like, "It's just a behaviour issue", "Don't worry, it's simply a speech delay", or "Many kids don't start talking until later". Still not sure, they brought the child in for a hearing test.

Identifying hearing loss in children, especially before they start speaking, can be quite challenging. That's why it's essential to be

aware of the signs and symptoms so prompt action can be taken if necessary. Look out for the following in infants or toddlers:

- > Failure to locate the source of sounds.
- > Not reacting to loud noises.
- > Discontinued babbling and sound experimentation.
- > Continued babbling but without progressing to more understandable speech.
- > Remaining unresponsive to voices, even when held.
- > Born with a missing or malformed ear.

Parents can take several steps to prevent and reduce the risk of childhood hearing loss, including providing proper prenatal care, limiting children's exposure to loud noises, and ensuring immunisation against diseases like

measles and meningitis.

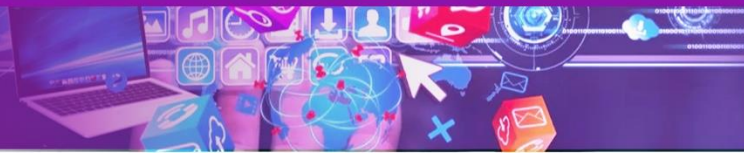
Additionally, I believe it is important to have children's hearing tested at key milestones, starting with neonatal screening at birth. This screening can identify children who may need early intervention or support to develop language skills effectively.

Early intervention and therapy for hearing issues are critical for a child's language, social and academic development. With the right support and intervention, children with hearing loss can achieve language proficiency, social skills, and academic success on par with their peers.

If you suspect your child is experiencing hearing loss, seeking professional help is crucial. Healthcare centres provide a range of services for children with hearing issues, including hearing tests, auditory brainstem response (ABR), paediatric visual reinforcement audiometry (VRA), hearing aid fittings, and cochlear implants for severe to profound hearing loss.

Remember: Don't delay seeking help if you suspect your child may be struggling with his hearing.

**SYAIMAA' HANNAN
ABD RAZAK**
Senior audiologist
Kuala Lumpur



TAJUK : MAN IN COURT AFTER TRYING TO HIT SON WITH MACHETE

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

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TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Man in court after trying to hit son with machete

KUALA KANGSAR: A man who was arrested for punching and kicking his 12-year-old son recently has been charged in the Sessions Court here with possessing a machete.

The 37-year-old man pleaded not guilty to having in his possession a machete on the side of the road in Kampung Perah, Gerik, at about 3.45pm, Oct 30.

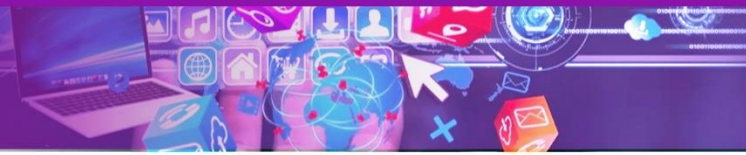
The charge under Section 6(1) of the Corrosive and Explosive Substances and Offensive Weapons Act 1958 carries a maximum prison sentence of 10 years and caning, if convicted.

Deputy public prosecutor Muhammad Firdaus Nor Azlan did not offer any bail, while the accused, who was not represented by a lawyer, did not plead for bail, Bernama reported.

Judge Rohaida Ishak set Dec 6 for mention, to allow the accused to appoint a lawyer. The accused was not allowed bail.

On Oct 29, the 12-year-old boy was reportedly assaulted by the accused while at his aunt's house in Kampung Perah.

Gerik district police chief Supt Zulkifli Mahmood said the accused also swung a machete and almost hit the boy with the weapon.



TAJUK : NANCY: FLOOD RELIEF, AID AT THE READY IF NEEDED

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 05

STONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Nancy: Flood relief, aid at the ready if needed

KUALA LUMPUR: Early preparations are in place to face the northeast monsoon forecast for this month, says Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri.

"The ministry will work with the National Disaster Management Agency and the Education Ministry to organise assistance during the floods," she said.

At the moment, Nancy said basic aid such as temporary relief centres, food and other items are all ready.

"We are always on standby before every flood.

"Everything is already there, schools have been gazetted as relief centres, food is ready, and the standard operating procedure is all there," she said after the Jalinan Kasih programme under her ministry with non-governmental organisations here yesterday, Bernama reported.

MetMalaysia, in its weather outlook for September 2023 to March 2024, has forecast that the northeast monsoon will start this

month – with four to six episodes of monsoon surges of continuous rain, with a high potential for flooding.

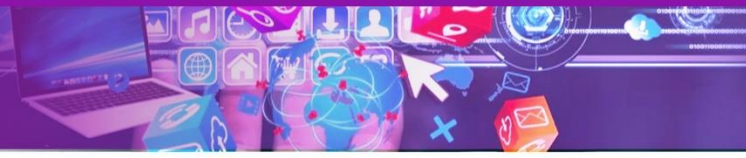
Earlier, during her speech, Nancy said RM96mil had been channelled to 2,672 NGOs so far since the Treasury Special Assistance was introduced in 2001.

She said 6,697 women, family and community development programmes – with nearly a million participants – were implemented nationwide during that

span of over two decades.

"The Jalinan Kasih programme was created as a collaborative platform to ensure the national direction and agenda for women, family and community empowerment is in line with the objective and actions of NGOs.

"This initiative provides NGOs the opportunity to share their views and ideas, which will enhance the programme, strengthen their role and expand the strategic cooperation between us," said Nancy.



TAJUK : NEWBORN LEFT AT MOSQUE WITH NOTE PLEADING FOR HELP

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 09

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Newborn left at mosque with note pleading for help

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KOTA KINABALU: An infant, barely a week old, was found abandoned here with a note presumably from her mother, pleading that the finder help the girl.

"I am sorry for not being able to care for this child. The circumstances are beyond my means to raise her," read the note, which was found by Adzwan Eman, the imam of a mosque in Luyang.

The newborn was discovered at 9pm on Sunday.

Based on the note, the baby was born on Oct 31.

Adzwan, 28, said he had just

arrived in his car with his wife and children when he heard noises coming from one side of the mosque.

"At the time, I thought it was a car or something because the mosque is situated close to houses," he said.

He went to fetch a few things and found that the noise had grown louder.

"It sounded like a baby crying," he said.

He tracked down the source of the sound and noticed a box left at a section of the mosque.

"I was shocked to see a baby wrapped in cloth inside a box."

He said that he immediately

took the baby, along with the note, into the mosque.

"I alerted our mosque members who then contacted the police," Adzwan said.

Kota Kinabalu police chief Asst Comm Mohd Zaidi Abdulah said the baby appeared healthy.

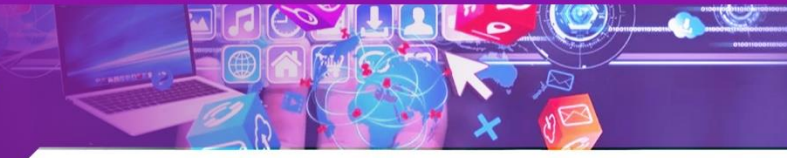
"She has been sent to the Queen Elizabeth hospital for a check-up and observation.

"The case is being investigated under Section 317 of the Penal Code for abandoning a child under the age of 12," he added.

He urged those with information to contact the investigating officer Insp Hatikah Ahmad at 016-833 7246.



That's the spot: Adzwan (right) showing a policeman where he found the baby.



TAJUK : OUT OF CONTROL

HARI : SELASA

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

STONE : NEGATIF

AKHBAR : THE STAR

M/SURAT : 01&04

SEKTOR : KPWK

Out of control

Vape epidemic in schools

Use of cigarettes among teenagers now 'out of control'

By RAGANANTHINI VETHASALAM
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PETALING JAYA: Vapes and e-cigarettes have become an easily accessible online that even teenagers are able to buy them, which has led to growing concern among parents and teachers.

Based on checks online, The Star found that these items were being sold on popular e-commerce sites as well as individual vape sellers' websites.

Transactions are below RM40 on average and there are no restrictions - purchasers are not even asked whether they are aged 18 or above.

Stakeholders said this is why the proposed Control of Smoking Products for Public Health Bill 2023 should be quickly passed as there is a growing trend of smoking and vaping among school-going teenagers.

Consumers Association of Penang (CAP) senior education officer and anti-smoking activist NV Subbarow said he had received complaints from teachers who had confiscated vaping devices from pupils.

"Things are now getting out of control. Students keep their vapes inside their bags. Many have admitted that they bought them online."

"CAP urges the Health Ministry and Parliament to treat this Bill with urgency," Subbarow said, adding that it is an "emergency Bill".

National Union of the Teaching Profession (NUTP) secretary-general Ford Sngun said schools carry out regular inspections and take appropriate action according to existing regulations, including issuing warnings and conducting counselling.

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"There must be spot checks within school compounds, especially toilets or washrooms, and on school bags to ensure there is no smoking or vaping taking place in schools."

"Teachers must also set a good example. There must be systemic action taken against teachers caught smoking or vaping, including counselling."

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He said what is important is the role of parents in ensuring that their children do not fall into these habits.

"All this is closely related to family education factors and how parents nurture and determine their children's self-discipline," he said.

NUTP president Aminuddin said the habit is becoming more serious among schoolgoers, as even primary school pupils have started up vaping.

He said NUTP is disappointed by the delay in the tabling of the Bill, adding that there must be immediate stringent enforcement against the promotion and sale of vapes.

"This is to ensure that school students do not have access to smoking products, which contain nicotine that is addictive," Aminuddin said.

"Exposure to nicotine at a young age will affect the mental and emotional development of children, which will also affect their studies."

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Don't delay regulation any longer, say experts

By FATMAH ZAINAL
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PETALING JAYA: Puffing up is becoming a way of life even for schoolchildren, thanks to easy access to vape products with nicotine and e-cigarettes, as well as a loophole allowing the legal sale of these products to minors, say various groups.

They said the situation has led to the emergence of a new generation of young nicotine addicts as the government sits on the crucial Control of Smoking Products for Public Health Bill 2023.

Without the Bill, there is nothing preventing e-cigarettes and vape with nicotine being sold to minors after liquid nicotine was deregulated as a scheduled poison from the Poisons Act 1952 on March 31.

Malaysian Council for Tobacco Control (MCTC) secretary-general Muhammad Shahani Abdullah said the use of vape among young adults and teens has been exploding due to targeted marketing to younger cohorts by the industry.

This includes the use of attractive and manipulative designs as well as the use of food flavours and scented additives to make the products more appealing, he said.

"As the current Control of Tobacco Products Regulation 2004 does not provide powers to act against vape products, there is a very urgent need to pass the Control of Smoking Products for Public Health Bill 2023."

"The repercussions of delaying the Bill is the creation of a new generation of nicotine addicts that would waste more public resources to reverse," said Muhammad Shahani.

He added that the Generational Endgame (GEG) provision in the Bill, which seeks to ban tobacco and vape products for anyone born from Jan 1, 2007, onwards is essential as measures implemented have not achieved the expected reduction in smoking.

According to the National Health and Morbidity Survey (NHMS) 2019, the smoking rate stood at 21.3% in 2019, short of the 18.5% target for that year, while the target for 2025 is 15% and 10.6% by 2030.

"The GEG is essential to make the difference in the implementation of tobacco control measures as a party to the World Health Organisation (WHO) Framework Convention on Tobacco Control (FCTC) to achieve Malaysia's commitment to tobacco cessation in 2040," he said.

Malaysia Society for Harm Reduction president Dr Sharifa Dzat Wan Puteh said the current absence of regulations for vape products is painting Malaysia in a bad light as if it is being promoted to everyone.

Vape and e-cigarettes were supposed to be used as harm reduction tools and smoking cessation aid instead of recreational use, she said.

"Vape and e-cigarettes are not completely safe, hence they must be used with safety precautions and not by nicotine-naïve lungs," she added.

Federation of Malaysian Consumers' Associations (FOMCA) chief executive officer Dr Saravanan Thambirajah said vape addiction among the young is a serious issue.

"The most important thing is that we need regulations to control this."

"If the Bill is delayed again, it will not be a good thing and there will be future health impacts not only on them but also the health-care system," he said.

Federation of Private Medical Practitioners' Associations Malaysia president Dr Sharmisudhan IV Ganesan cited the Health Ministry's survey of 1.3 million secondary school students through the Oral Health Tobacco-Free (Gonal) programme last year which found that, worryingly, 43.0% of them were smokers.

"The Bill is long overdue and one wonders if there is a deliberate delay to please the vape industry. This should be open to scrutiny," he said.

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Timeline for the GEG Bill

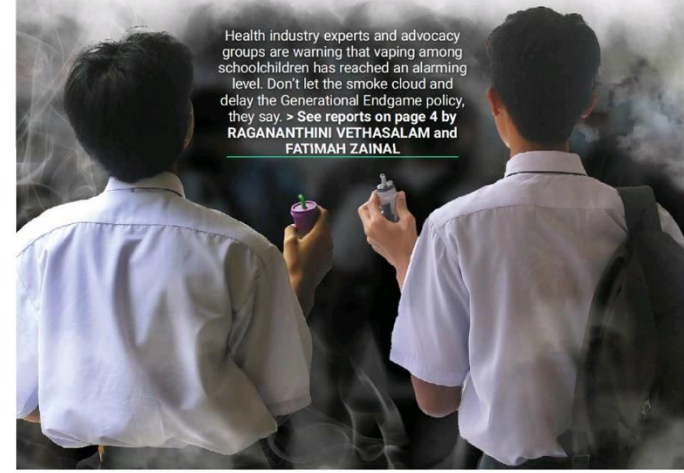
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- July 27: The Control of Tobacco Products and Smoking Bill 2022 was first tabled by former health minister Khairy Jamaluddin in the Dewan Rakyat.
- Aug 2: No vote was taken on the Bill during the second reading with a motion passed instead to refer the matter to a Malaysian Parliamentary Social Select Committee (PSSC) for changes.
- Oct 6: The Bill was supposed to be tabled but was pulled to make way for three bills ahead of it.
- Oct 10: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Pasia announced the dissolution of the 14th Parliament.
- Dec 8: Khairy's successor Health Minister Dr Zaitza Mustafa said the tobacco generational endgame (GEG) policy will be reconvened in terms of its implementation.

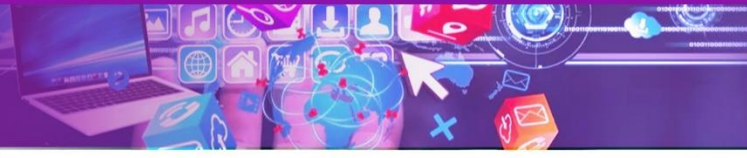
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Health industry experts and advocacy groups are warning that vaping among schoolchildren has reached an alarming level. Don't let the smoke cloud and delay the Generational Endgame policy, they say. > See reports on page 4 by RAGANANTHINI VETHASALAM and FATIMAH ZAINAL.



TAJUK : TAEKWONDO INSTRUCTOR ACCUSED OF SEX ABUSE

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 14

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Taekwondo instructor accused of sex abuse

A GIRL in Shah Alam who was allegedly sexually abused by her taekwondo instructor is now traumatised and has difficulties sleeping following her ordeal, *Kosmo!* reported.

Her mother, Ani, said her child now gets delirious at night and her thoughts are disturbed even during prayers.

According to her daughter, said Ani, the suspect had brought her into a toilet under the pretext of fixing her belt. He then used a handphone to record "acts" with the girl, she added.

"After this was made known, I informed the parents of other students via messages in the WhatsApp group. However, I was kicked out of it after trying to inform them again," she said.

Ani said there were parents who messaged her in private where she learnt that there had been other victims as well.

"However, only three have made police reports so far."

Shah Alam OCPD Asst Comm Mohd Iqbal Ibrahim said they had received the first report in connection with the case on Nov 2

before arresting the 20-year-old suspect at a shopping centre.

> A son's effort to trace down his birth father finally bore fruit after a chance search on Facebook, *Harian Metro* reported.

Ryan Iskandar, 24, said he had been separated from his Indonesian father after the latter left Malaysia 21 years ago.

The father, who goes by the name of Syopian, had married Ryan's mother when he was in Malaysia looking for work but moved back to his home country after his work permit expired.

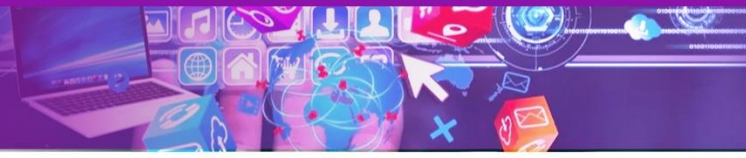
His search for his father started when he was 19 and his sibling was about to get married.

Last month, Ryan tried his luck again by using a different spelling of his father's name.

"I didn't expect it, I immediately added him as a friend as I was confident that was him," he said.

Ryan then got his father's contact number and they both spoke to each other for the first time via WhatsApp in an emotional call.

Ryan said he is happy to reconnect with his Indonesian family, with plans afoot for a reunion.



TAJUK : TWO MORE HELD IN AIRLINE-LINKED PROBE

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 09

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Two more held in airline-linked probe

i-Serve co-founder and a woman detained in connection with investment scheme

By **FARIK ZOLKEPLI**
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KUALA LUMPUR: A 58-year-old man, a co-founder of i-Serve Payment Gateway Sdn Bhd, has been detained in connection with an ongoing investigation involving the company and the beleaguered budget airline MYAirline.

A 57-year-old woman was also detained to assist in the investigation.

Bukit Aman Commercial Crime

Investigation Department director Comm Datuk Seri Ramli Mohamed Yoosuf said the man was detained at the Immigration Department office in KLIA2 at about 3.30am yesterday.

"Initial investigations revealed that the suspect got to know the low-cost airline founder in 1995 and both of them set up i-Serve in 2019.

"The suspect was also a director of several subsidiaries under i-Serve," he said when contacted.

Comm Ramli said the arrest of the first suspect led police to a condominium in Sentul at about 4.15am yesterday, where the woman was detained.

"We also seized mobile phones and the passports of both suspects as well as a luxury car belonging to the female suspect, who is an employee at an insurance company," he added.

It was reported that after the MYAirline fiasco, its co-founder Datuk Allan Goh was being inves-

tigated over the loss of RM81mil in an investment scheme.

The police opened a new investigation paper on Goh after receiving 67 reports about the i-Serve investment scheme.

The case is being investigated under Section 420 of the Penal Code for fraud.

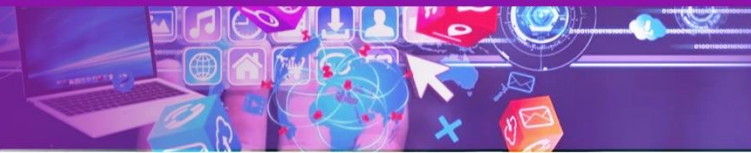
"The reports were lodged by individuals who invested in i-Serve.

"The losses are estimated to be RM81,609,900 and we urge any-

one who is a victim of this investment scheme to come forward and lodge a police report," Comm Ramli had said earlier.

Goh and seven other individuals, including the company lawyer and shareholders, were previously remanded to facilitate investigations under the Anti-Money Laundering, Anti-Terrorism Financing and Proceeds of Unlawful Activities Act 2001.

They were subsequently released on police bail.



TAJUK : ADDITIONAL FLOOD RELIEF CENTRES OPENED

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE SUN DAILY

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 05

TONE : NEUTRAL

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Additional flood relief centres opened

KUALA LUMPUR: Two more relief centres were opened in Selangor, bringing the total to seven in the state so far to accommodate flood victims in Sepang, Hulu Langat and Subang Jaya.

According to the Social Welfare Department's Info Bencana, a total of 579 evacuees from 157 families are being accommodated at the seven relief centres.

Ninety-six of the victims are at the relief centres at Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Bangi and SK Semenyih, Hulu Langat, while 10 evacuees are at the Dewan Serbaguna Majlis Bandaraya Subang Jaya Camelia Section 10 relief centre in Putra Heights.

The other four centres are at Dewan Orang Ramai Kampung Dato Ahmad Razali, Dewan Orang Ramai Jenderam Hilir, Dewan Orang Ramai Taman Gemilang and Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Dengkil, with a total of 473 evacuees.

Meanwhile, in Perak, 219 evacuees from 63 families are still at four relief centres in the Hilir Perak and Kerian districts.

The Perak Disaster Management Committee secretariat said in a statement that the flood victims in Hilir Perak, involving 53 people from 17 families, are at the relief centre at Dewan Serbaguna Padang Tembak, while 12 others from three families are at the Dewan Majlis Perbandaran Teluk Intan relief centre.

In Kerian, the number of flood evacuees remains at 97 from 24 families and they are being accommodated at SK Changkat Lobak, while 57 people from 19 families are at SK Alor Pongsu, read the statement.

Meanwhile, the Department of Irrigation and Drainage reported that the water in Sungai Bidor in Changkat Jong was at the danger level, with a reading of 4.02m, while the water in Sungai Kinta at the Tanjung Tualang Weir and Sungai Slim at Slim River was at the alert level, with a reading of 13.29m and 25m, respectively.

Based on information from the Meteorological Department, the weather is forecast to be good but rain and storms are expected to occur in most districts in Perak in the afternoon and evening. - Bernama



TAJUK : INITIATIVE TO AID N. SEMBILAN Hardcore POOR

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : THE SUN DAILY

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 04

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Initiative to aid N. Sembilan hardcore poor

SEREMBAN: As of October, 1,746 of 3,530 heads of household in Negeri Sembilan have successfully exited the hardcore poor category, said Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Aminuddin Harun.

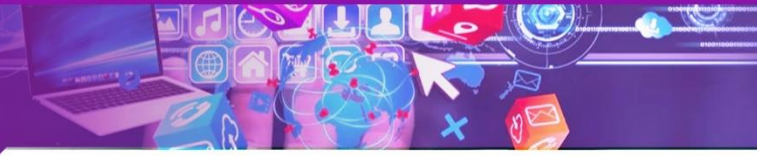
He said in line with the federal government's goal to eradicate poverty this year, the state government will boost efforts to ensure the remaining households still classified as hardcore poor can be assisted promptly through collaborations with various government agencies.

"I have directed the state secretary's office to hold periodic meetings, perhaps once a week up to the end of the year and hopefully, the collaborations involving agencies would

help expedite the process of moving them out of their hardcore poor status.

"These efforts will involve various initiatives and projects aimed at increasing their income. For example, the cooperation between the state *Baitulmal*, Social Welfare Department, Rubber Industry Smallholders Development Authority and Felcra would help this target group," he said after chairing a State Development Action Council meeting yesterday.

He said if there are any challenges that are difficult to resolve, the state government would ensure the group receives appropriate aid to work towards achieving the goal of eradicating hardcore poverty. - Bernama



TAJUK : BANJIR: KPWKM BUAT PERSEDIAAN AWAL

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 11

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Banjir: KPWKM buat persediaan awal

KPWKM akan bekerjasama dengan NADMA dan KPM untuk mengatur bantuan: Nancy

KUALA LUMPUR: Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat (KPWKM) telah membuat persediaan awal untuk menghadapi Monsun Timur Laut (MLT) yang dijangka bermula bulan ini.

makanan serta bantuan lain telah disediakan.

“Kami sentiasa bersedia setiap (untuk menghadapi banjir). Semua sudah siap, ada sekolah yang (diwartakan) jadi PPS, bekalan makan sudah disediakan, prosedur operasi standard (SOP) se-

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Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri
Menteri KPWKM

Menterinya Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri berkata KPWKM akan bekerjasama dengan Agensi Pengurusan Bencana Negara (NADMA) serta Kementerian Pendidikan (KPM) bagi mengatur bantuan yang diperlukan ketika bencana itu berlaku.

Beliau berkata pada masa ini segala bantuan asas seperti persediaan pusat pemindahan sementara (PPS),

mua dah siap,” katanya pada sidang media selepas Program Jalinan KASIH KPWKM bersama Badan Bukan Kerajaan (NGO), di sini semalam.

MET Malaysia melalui Laporan Tinjauan Cuaca bagi Tempoh September 2023 hingga Mac 2024 meramalkan MTL 2023/2024 dijangka bermula bulan ini dengan empat hingga enam episod



PERKASA MASYARAKAT: Nancy (tengah) menghadiri Majlis Perasmian Program Jalinan Kasih KPWKM bersama NGO di Pusat Dagangan Dunia Kuala Lumpur, semalam. — Gambar Bernama

luruan musun yang membawa hujan berterusan dan berpotensi menyebabkan banjir.

Terdahulu, Nancy dalam ucap tama majlis itu berkata RM96 juta disalurkan kepada 2,672 NGO sejak Bantuan Khas Perbendaharaan (BKP) diperkenalkan pada 2001 hingga tahun ini.

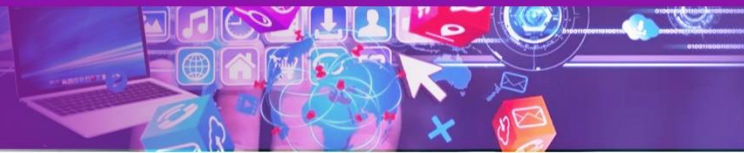
Beliau berkata 6,697 program dilaksanakan meli-

batkan pembangunan wanita, keluarga dan masyarakat dengan penyertaan hampir sejuta peserta di seluruh negara.

“Program Jalinan KASIH antara KPWKM dan NGO dicipta sebagai platform kerjasama agar hala tuju dan agenda pemerksaan wanita, keluarga, dan masyarakat di peringkat kebangsaan adalah

selari dengan matlamat dan tindakan di peringkat NGO.

“Inisiatif ini menyediakan peluang kepada NGO untuk memberikan pandangan dan cadangan yang akan meningkatkan program, mengukuhkan peranan NGO, serta memperluaskan kerjasama strategik antara KPWKM dan NGO,” katanya lagi. — Bernama



TAJUK : EMPAT CEDERA KEMALANGAN BABITKAN TIGA KENDERAAN PIKAP

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 08

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Empat cedera kemalangan babitkan tiga kenderaan pikap

TAWAU: Empat cedera termasuk seorang kanak-kanak dalam satu kemalangan membabitkan tiga kenderaan pikap di Jalan Balung di sini, Ahad lepas.

Ketua Balai Bomba dan Penyelamat (BBP) Tawau Jemishin Ujin berkata, pihaknya menerima panggilan ke-

cemasan berhubung kejadian itu pada jam 6.38 petang.

Katanya, seramai tujuh anggota dan pegawai bersama dua jentera digerakkan ke lokasi kejadian bagi operasi menyelamat.

“Sebaik tiba, pasukan bomba mendapati kemalangan membabitkan tiga pikap

dan lima orang mangsa.

“Seorang mangsa masih tersepit di dalam kenderaan manakala tiga lagi yang cedera sudah dikeluarkan orang awam,” katanya dalam kenyataan media di sini, semalam.

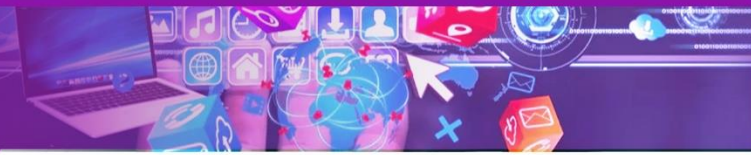
Menurutnya, semua mangsa yang cedera diberi rawatan

awal oleh pasukan EMRS dan dibawa ke hospital oleh Ambulans Kementerian Kesihatan Malaysia (KKM).

Jemishin berkata, pihaknya menjalankan pemeriksaan akhir bagi memastikan lokasi kejadian selamat sebelum operasi ditamatkan jam 7.26 malam.



OPERASI: Pasukan bomba menjalankan operasi menyelamat mangsa yang tersepit di dalam kenderaan pikap.



TAJUK :	LELAKI WARGA EMAS DIDENDA RM800 KERANA BERJUDI DI TEMPAT AWAM		
HARI :	SELASA	AKHBAR :	UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)
TARIKH :	07 NOV 2023	M/SURAT :	08
TONE :	NEGATIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Lelaki warga emas didenda RM800 kerana berjudi di tempat awam

MIRI: Padah berjudi di tempat awam, seorang lelaki warga emas didenda RM800 atau seminggu penjara oleh Mahkamah Majistret di sini.

Hukuman itu dijatuhkan Majistret Randu Rangen setelah Sim Choon Bock, 61, dari Lorong 9 Krokop di sini mengaku bersalah atas tuduhan dibacakan terhadapnya mengikut Seksyen 7 (2) Akta Rumah Judi Terbuka 1953.

Mengikut kesalahan ini, tertuduh boleh didenda sehingga RM5,000 atau penjara

enam bulan atau kedua-duanya jika sabit kesalahan.

Menurut keterangan kes, sekitar jam 10 malam, pada 7 Ogos lalu sepasukan polis melakukan Ops Dadu Khas ke sebuah kedai makan di kawasan Centre Point 1 di sini untuk mengesan aktiviti perjudian jenis judi dalam talian.

Dalam pemeriksaan itu, polis menahan tertuduh yang duduk di sebuah meja di kedai terbabit sambil bermain telefon bimbit untuk tujuan pemeriksaan

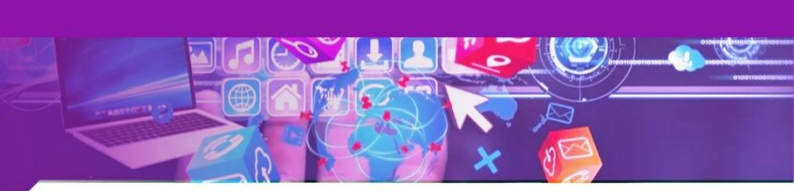
Hasil pemeriksaan dilaku-

kan ke atas telefon pintar milik tertuduh mendapati ada memaparkan aplikasi judi jenis judi dalam talian.

Berikutan itu, tertuduh ditangkap dan telefon bimbitnya dirampas untuk dijadikan barang kes.

Di hadapan mahkamah, tertuduh merayu agar hukuman ke atasnya diringankan memandangkan dia tidak mempunyai pekerjaan.

Pendakwaan dilakukan Inspektor Mudzilawati Abdul Rahman manakala tertuduh tidak diwakili peguam bela.



TAJUK : RM5J BANGUN RUANG KOMUNITI INKLUSIF BAGI OKU

HARI : SELASA

AKHBAR : UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)

TARIKH : 07 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 07

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWK

RM5j bangun ruang komuniti inklusif bagi OKU

'Enabling Village' sedia kemudahan diperlukan bermula dari awal hingga akhir hayat kumpulan sasaran

Oleh Patricia Gari

KUCHING: Kerajaan negeri telah meluluskan dana awal berjumlah RM5 juta bagi membangunkan 'Enabling Village' di sini.

Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah berkata 'Enabling Village' merupakan ruang komuniti inklusif bersepadu pertama seumpamanya di Sarawak bagi golongan kurang upaya (OKU).

"Kerajaan negeri telah meluluskan pembinaan pusat yang mulanya dikenali SNCC (Special Need Communittee Centre) tetapi selepas lawatan kerja ke Singapura baru-baru ini ia ditukar kepada Enabling Village.

"Enabling Village ini akan dibangunkan di tapak pusat pemulihan di Samarahan ketika ini yang seluas 10 ekar," katanya kepada pemberita semasa mengadakan lawatan kerja ke Sekolah Khas PERKATA (Persatuan Kebajikan Bagi Kanak-Kanak

Terencat Akal Sarawak) di sini, semalam.

Fatimah berkata perkampungan itu akan menyediakan pelbagai kemudahan diperlukan bermula dari awal hingga akhir hayat kumpulan sasaran golongan kurang upaya itu.

Menurutnya selain menyediakan kemudahan diperlukan OKU, 'Enabling Village' itu turut memberi latihan dan kemahiran dalam usaha memperkasakan golongan berkenaan.

"Bagi yang tidak dapat hidup sendiri atau tanpa sokongan mahupun bantuan kerana kecacatan dialami serius atau atas sebab tertentu seperti tiada waris untuk menjaga, mereka akan diberi penjagaan khusus di sini (Enabling Village)."

"Maknanya semua dimasukkan di situ, diagnosis, intervensi, sekolah.

"Apabila saya mengatakan sekolah, kita tidak akan menduplikasi apa yang dilakukan Kementerian Pendidikan (Malaysia).

"Pengambilan pelajar adalah mereka yang men-

“ Kerajaan negeri telah meluluskan pembinaan pusat yang mulanya dikenali SNCC (Special Need Communittee Centre) tetapi selepas lawatan kerja ke Singapura baru-baru ini ia ditukar kepada Enabling Village.”

Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah
Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti

galami ketidakmampuan mereka lebih serius," jelasnya.

Beliau menambah, golongan OKU yang mengalami ketidakmampuan lebih serius memerlukan perhatian khusus dan 'Enabling Village'



SANTUNI: Fatimah (tiga kanan) ketika mengadakan lawatan ke Sekolah Khas PERKATA. Turut kelihatan Wendy (dua kanan).

adalah tempat paling sesuai untuk mereka khususnya di usia kanak-kanak dilatih mahupun dibimbing.

Ia katanya, bermula daripada latihan kemahiran diri harian seperti membuat baju, mengikat tali kasut, latihan ke tandas dan sebagainya.

"Bagi orang normal ia bukan masalah tetapi untuk kumpulan ini, mereka tidak mampu melakukannya tanpa bimbingan daripada pakar.

"Kita tidak mahu mereka sampai membesar masih menggunakan pampers (lampin pakai buang).

"Selain itu latihan kemahiran diberikan bagi membolehkan mereka menjana pendapatan kelak.

"Di sini, mereka juga akan diperkasakan dalam sukan, seni dan sebagainya," ujarnya.

Terdahulu dalam ucapannya Fatimah berkata tujuan lawatan beliau serta rombongan daripada Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan (KPWK) untuk melihat sendiri operasi dan pengendalian Sekolah Khas PERKATA khususnya dari segi kurikulum serta kokurikulum.

"Jadi hari ini, saya dapat melihat sendiri bagaimana kita kerajaan negeri dapat membantu selain daripada pemberian geran.

"PERKATA sama seperti PDPK (Pusat Pemulihan

Dalam Komuniti) mendapat geran daripada kerajaan persekutuan menerusi Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat untuk elauan petugas, membayar bil-bil utiliti serta sewaan bangunan jika menyewa.

"Kita di peringkat negeri biasanya hanya melengkapkan apa yang diberikan oleh kerajaan persekutuan, kita tidak menduplikasi, biasa geran diberikan adalah untuk membiayai aktiviti-aktiviti dianjurkan PERKATA," jelasnya.

Hadir sama Setiausaha Tetap KPWK Noriah Ahmad dan Pengetua Sekolah Khas PERKATA Wendy Mandau.



UNTUK ALBUM: Fatimah merakam kenangan bersama pelajar dan pengajar di Sekolah Khas PERKATA.