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17	10 TAHUN BERPISAH, BEKAS ISTERI 'PENING' MASIH DIGANGGU ALONG	
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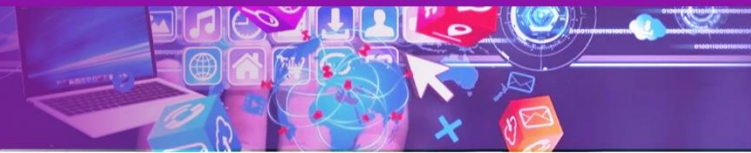


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TAJUK : **DIUGUT ALONG LANGSAI HUTANG BEKAS SUAMI**

HARI : **SABTU**

AKHBAR : **BERITA HARIAN**

TARIKH : **14 OKT 2023**

M/SURAT : **43**

TONE : **NEGATIF**

SEKTOR : **KPWKM**

Diugut along langsung hutang bekas suami

Johor: Seorang eksekutif sebuah syarikat di Singapura hidup dalam ketakutan selepas diganggu along yang menagih hutang bekas suaminya.

Mangsa yang hanya mahu dikenali sebagai Yeng, 42, mendakwa along mengugut mahu membakar rumah keluarganya di Taman Desa Jaya di sini, jika tidak membayar hutang bekas suaminya.

Beliau berkata, along bukan sahaja menghantar ugutan menerusi WhatsApps, malah turut membaling cat kuning di rumah kakaknya.

“Mimpi ngeri kami sekeluarga bermula pertengahan bulan lalu apabila saya menerima mesej ugutan along mendesak supaya membayar wang dipinjam bekas suami.

“Tidak cukup dengan itu, along kemudian datang ke rumah kakak saya dan tinggalkan nota ugutan supaya membayar

balik hutang bekas suami.

“Pada 3 Oktober lalu, mereka menyimbah cat kuning di rumah kami dan terkena pada pagar serta kereta,” katanya pada sidang media di Pejabat Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri (ADUN) Johor Jaya, Taman Johor Jaya di sini.

Ibu tunggal dua anak berusia 14 dan 18 tahun itu berkata, keluarganya terpaksa mengeluarkan kos RM2,000 untuk membaiki kerosakan itu.

“Saya juga sudah membuat tiga laporan polis berhubung perkara itu,” katanya yang sudah bercerai dengan suami sejak 10 tahun lalu.

Sementara itu, Pegawai Aduan Pejabat Ahli Dewan Undangan Negeri (ADUN) Johor Jaya, Mok Meng Haw menggesa bekas suami Yeng bertanggungjawab dan segera melunaskan hutang itu atau berdepan tindakan pihaknya.



TAJUK :	MEKANIK PELUK REMAJA PEREMPUAN DIPENJARA, SEBAT		
HARI :	SABTU	AKHBAR :	BERITA HARIAN
TARIKH :	14 OKT 2023	M/SURAT :	41
TONE :	NEGATIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Mekanik peluk remaja perempuan dipenjara, sebat

Melaka: Seorang mekanik berdepan hukuman penjara 20 tahun dan sebatan selepas mengaku bersalah di Mahkamah Sesyen di sini, semalam, atas pertuduhan melakukan amang seksual fizikal terhadap seorang remaja perempuan, Isnin lalu.

Mohd Rizuan Abd Razak, 43, membuat pengakuan itu sejeurus pertuduhan dibacakan dan diterangkan terhadapnya di hadapan Hakim Darmafikri Abu Adam.

Mengikut pertuduhan, tertuduh didakwa melakukan amang seksual fizikal dengan memeluk seorang remaja perempuan berusia 17 tahun sembilan bulan dalam keadaan tidak berbaju di sebuah rumah di Taman Jati,

Batu Berendam, di sini, pada 9 Oktober lalu, kira-kira jam 1.20 pagi.

Pertuduhan dilakukan Timbalan Pendakwa Raya, N Sivashangari mengikut Seksyen 14(a) Kanun Keseksaan yang membawa hukuman penjara maksimum 20 tahun dan sebatan jika disabitkan kesalahannya.

Darmafikri bagaimanapun menanggukkan keputusan fakta dan hukuman pada 28 Oktober ini bagi membolehkan pendakwaan menyediakan fakta kes.

Tiada jaminan ditawarkan kepada tertuduh yang juga bapa kepada lima anak.

Difahamkan, siasatan polis mendapati tertuduh baru beberapa hari berkenalan menerusi

aplikasi MiChat.

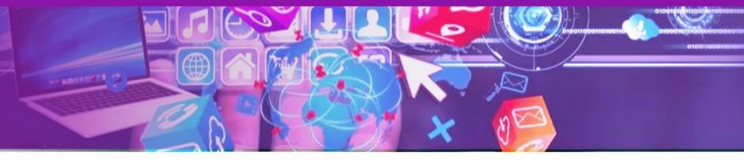
Sementara itu, di Putrajaya, seorang pembantu operasi kolej didakwa di Mahkamah Sesyen atas tujuh tuduhan melakukan amang seksual fizikal dengan menyentuh kemaluan lima remaja lelaki.

Tertuduh berusia 44 tahun itu mengaku tidak bersalah sejeurus pertuduhan dikemukakan di hadapan Hakim Datin M Kunasundary.

Mengikut pertuduhan, lelaki bujang terbabit didakwa melakukan amang seksual terhadap remaja berusia 16 dan 17 tahun dengan menyentuh kemaluan mereka bagi tujuan seksual di kolej terbabit antara Februari 2022 hingga September lalu.



Mohd Rizuan ketika di Mahkamah Sesyen Melaka, semalam.



TAJUK : BINA 10 TABIKA, TASKA BAHARU

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 06

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

BINA 10 TABIKA, TASKA BAHARU

Kemas terima RM586j tumpu pendidikan awal kanak-kanak



Kuala Lumpur

Jabatan Kemajuan Masyarakat (Kemas) menerima peruntukan RM586 juta tahun hadapan bagi memastikan pendidikan awal kanak-kanak terus diberi perhatian.

Perdana Menteri, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim berkata, sebanyak 10 Taman Bimbingan Kanak-kanak (Tabika) dan Taman Asuhan Kanak-Kanak (Taska) baharu akan dibina dengan kos RM31 juta di Kampung Paya Berenjut, Kemaman, Terengganu; Felda Jelai 1, Tampin, Negeri Sembilan dan Taman Kota Masai, Johor Bahru, Johor.

Selain itu, kerajaan juga memperuntukkan RM20 juta bagi menaik taraf premis Pendidikan Awal Kanak-kanak Kemas.

"Tahun hadapan juga, 26 buah prasekolah baharu di bawah Kementerian Pendidikan akan dibina membabitkan kos RM82 juta.

"Ini termasuklah pembinaan bangunan prasekolah di Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Abang Kadir Gedong, Simunjan, Sarawak; SK Bunut Rendang, Kuantan, Pahang dan Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Cina (SJKC) Chabau, Melaka," katanya ke-



SEBANYAK 10 Tabika dan Taska baharu akan dibina dengan kos RM31 juta di Kampung Paya Berenjut, Kemaman, Terengganu; Felda Jelai 1, Tampin, Negeri Sembilan dan Taman Kota Masai, Johor Bahru, Johor.

tika membentangkan Belanjawan 2024 semalam.

Menurut Anwar lagi, penghayatan pendidikan Islam dan ilmu al-Quran juga akan terus dipraktekkan sejak awal usia.

Justeru, kerajaan akan melaksanakan Program Pra Tahfiz Kemas dengan peruntukan RM20 juta dengan sasaran untuk melahirkan 100 ribu hufaz cilik menjelang 2026.

Kata beliau, pusat tahanan imigresen juga bukannya tempat untuk kanak-kanak dan ia tidak perlu pun dirujuk kepada konvensional antarabangsa un-

tuk sedar perihal itu, cukup ihsan di sudut hati.

"Kerajaan memperintis program Baitul Mahabbah Jabatan Imigresen Malaysia bagi menyediakan penempatan sementara buat kanak-kanak ini.

"Bagi tahun 2024, Kerajaan akan memperluas program ini di tiga lagi pusat penempatan sementara masing-masing satudi Sabah, Sarawak dan Semenanjung dengan peruntukan RM10 juta," katanya.

Sementara itu, kerangka ekonomi Madani menetapkan penanda aras supaya kadar penyertaan wanita

dalam tenaga buruh ditingkatkan kepada 60 peratus.

Bagi terus menggalakan wanita untuk kembali bekerja, Anwar berkata, galakan cukai bagi wanita yang kembali bekerja dilanjutkan sehingga 31 Disember 2027.

"Kerajaan mencadangkan bahawa had pengecualian cukai pendapatan ke atas elaun penjagaan anak yang diterima oleh pekerja atau dibayar terus oleh majikan kepada pusat jagaan kanak-kanak ditingkatkan daripada RM2,400 kepada RM3,000," katanya.



TAJUK : CABUL 5 REMAJA LELAKI

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 17

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

CABUL 5 REMAJA LELAKI

Pembantu operasi sekolah vokasional mohon dibicarakan atas pertuduhan amang fizikal

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Putrajaya

Seorang pembantu operasi sebuah sekolah vokasional didakwa di Mahkamah Sesyen di sini, semalam atas tujuh pertuduhan melakukan amang seksual fizikal terhadap lima remaja lelaki.

Bagaimanapun, tertuduh berusia 44 tahun mengaku tidak bersalah sebaik pertuduhan dibacakan jurubahasa di hadapan Hakim, Datin M Kunasundary.

Mengikut pertuduhan, lelaki bujang itu didakwa melakukan amang seksual fizikal terhadap lima pelajar berusia antara 16 dan 17 tahun bagi tujuan seksual di sebuah kolej vokasional di Selangor antara Februari 2022 hingga September lalu.

Pendakwa mengikut Seksyen 14 (a) Akta Kesalahan-Kesalahan Seksual Terhadap Kanak-Kanak 2017 dan boleh dihukum di bawah akta sama yang membawa kepada hukuman penjara tidak lebih 20 tahun dan sebat jika disabitkan kesalahan.

Susulan pengakuan tidak bersalah itu, Timbalan Pendakwa Raya Nurul Faraheen Yahya me-

“Syarat tambahan adalah melaporkan diri ke balai polis berdekatan setiap bulan, passport diserahkan kepada mahkamah dan tidak mengganggu mangsa sehingga kes selesai”



TERTUDUH dibawa anggota polis selepas dikenakan pertuduhan di Mahkamah Sesyen Putrajaya. - Gambar NSTP/MOHD FADLI HAMZAH

nawarkan jaminan RM60,000 bagi semua pertuduhan.

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tidak mengganggu mangsa sehingga kes selesai,” katanya.

Bagaimanapun, peguam mewakili penjawat awam itu, Nasrul Hadi Mat Saad memohon jaminan RM16,000 atas alasan anak guam

perlu menanggung keluarga.

“Gaji anak guam tidak tinggi dan tiada sumber pendapatan lain,” katanya.

Mendengar hujah kedua-dua pihak, Kunasundary membenar-

kan jaminan RM20,000 bagi semua pertuduhan dan syarat tambahan seperti dicadangkan pihak pendakwa selain menetapkan 21 Disember ini untuk sebutan semula kes.



TAJUK : LELAKI, ANAK PEREMPUAN MAUT KEMALANGAN

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 20

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Lelaki, anak perempuan maut kemalangan

Tumpat: "Pagi tadi (semalam) saya lihat Mirul (Mohamad Khairani) keluar membeli sarapan bersama isteri serta dua anaknya. Sebelum beredar, dia sempat melemparkan senyum namun saya merasakan senyuman itu agak pelik," kata Mohamad Azmi Mat Rani, abang kepada Allahyarham Mohamad Khairani yang maut dalam nahas bersama anak perempuannya di Jalan Chabang Empat di sini, pagi semalam.

Allahyarham Mohamad Khairani, 30, maut selepas motosikal ditunggang dirempuh pacuan empat roda sebelum digilis sebuah lagi kenderaan manakala anak sulungnya, Nurul Anisa Adriana, 7, pula meninggal dunia akibat tercampak.

Kejadian berlaku jam 9.30 pagi itu ketika Mohamad Khairani bersama isteri, Nurul Hasliza Mohd Fauzi, 24, dan dua anaknya termasuk Hakim Daniel, 2, menaiki motosikal jenis Yamaha Ego untuk ke kedai kopi bagi membeli nasi



MANGSA maut dalam nahas bersama anak perempuannya di Jalan Chabang Empat, pagi semalam.

berlauk. Mohamad Azmi, 31, berkata, sudah menjadi rutin setiap pagi adiknya itu keluar membeli sarapan jika hari tidak bekerja.

"Saya menetap di Johor dan baru pulang ke kampung iaitu Kampung Ben-

dang Luas kelmarin bersama isteri dan bayi lelaki.

"Pagi tadi (semalam) saya melihat Mirul keluar membeli sarapan dan sempat melemparkan senyum kepada saya.

"Walau merasakan senyumannya itu agak pelik

tapi saya tidak menjangkakan itu petanda dia pergi meninggalkan kami buat selama-lamanya," katanya ketika ditemui di Unit Forensik Hospital Tumpat, di sini, semalam.

Mohamad Azmi berkata, dia diberitahu ibu saud-

ranya mengenai kejadian yang menimpa adiknya dan dapat merasakan Mohamad Khairani sudah meninggal dunia berdasarkan keadaan kecederaan parah dimaklumkan.

Menurutnya, beberapa hari sebelum dia pulang ke kampung, adiknya yang bekerja sebagai tukang rumah itu ada menghubunginya menerusi WhatsApp bertanyakan bila dia akan pulang.

"Dia tanya bila saya akan pulang sebelum memberitahu 'aku tunggu mu balik' tapi saya tidak merasakan apa-apa yang pelik pada ayat itu tapi rupanya semalam (kelmarin) dan hari ini (semalam) adalah pertemuan terakhir kami.

"Malam tadi (kelmarin)

pun kami sempat berbual seperti biasa dan dia kelihatan seronok melayan bayi lelaki saya yang berusia tiga bulan," katanya yang memberitahu jenazah dua beranak itu dikebumikan di Tanah Perkuburan Islam Kampung Bechah Resak, di sini selepas proses bedah siasat.

Isteri dan anak bongsu mangsa kini dirawat di Hospital Raja Perempuan Zainab II (HRPZ II), Kota Bharu dan difahamkan mengalami kecederaan yang serius termasuk patah di beberapa bahagian anggota badan.

Sementara itu, Ketua Polis Daerah Tumpat Asisten Komisioner Amran Dolah mengesahkan menerima laporan berhubung kemalangan itu dan siasatan lanjut sedang dibuat.

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Dia sempat
lemparkan senyum
namun saya rasa
senyuman itu agak
pelik
Mohamad Azmi**



TAJUK : MAK ADA KANSER, ANAK BUAH PINGGANG BOCOR

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 24

STONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Mak ada kanser, anak buah pinggang bocor

Besut: "Ujian buat kami sekeluarga apabila anak tiba-tiba disahkan menghidap buah pinggang bocor (*nephrotic syndrome*)," kata seorang wanita yang juga pesakit kanser, Lainatul Aisyah Abdullah.

Aisyah, 37, dari Kampung Air Tawar berkata, dia menghidap kanser (*papillary thyroid*) sejak 2016 dan masih dalam proses rawatan serta perlu menjalani KPD Kimiodin (kimoterapi secara minum iodin).

Menurutnya, anak keduanya daripada empat beradik iaitu Nik Mukhriz Al Hafiz Nik Mohd Faidhi, 12, dikesan menghidap buah pinggang bocor pada Februari lalu dan sudah tujuh kali dimasukkan ke wad di Hospital Universiti Sains Malaysia (HUSM), Kubang Kerian di Kelantan untuk rawatan susulan.

"Pada peringkat awal saya perasan bahagian muka, mata serta kaki anak seperti sembab (bengkak) bi-

"Sekarang ini hospital sudah diibaratkan rumah kedua kami, bergilir-gilir masuk ke wad kerana masalah kesihatan masing-masing"

la ditanya dia beri alasan menangis kerana rindukan saya ketika itu terpaksa menerima rawatan di hospital selama seminggu.

"Apabila dibawa ke klinik doktor mengesan kandungan protein dalam air kencing sangat tinggi dan perlu dimasukkan ke hospital.

"Pada Mac serta April, anak makan ubat diberi doktor dan dia kembali sihat serta boleh kembali ke sekolah seperti biasa pada Mei," katanya.

Menurutnya namun pada Jun lalu tahap kesihatan anak kembali mero-

sot dan bertambah teruk berbanding sebelum ini.

"Menurut doktor penyakit anak saya itu berpunca daripada jangkitan kuman ketika dia demam lebih seminggu walaupun pernah dibawa ke klinik untuk rawatan sebelum ini.

"Sekarang ini hospital diibaratkan rumah kedua kami, bergilir-gilir masuk ke wad kerana masalah kesihatan masing-masing.

"Selang dua minggu anak saya dimasukkan ke wad untuk pemantauan doktor kerana ubat diambilnya tidak menunjukkan tindak balas sepatutnya," katanya.

Dia berkata, anaknya sudah beberapa kali bertukar ubat namun kali ini doktor menyarankan mengambil ubat berharga RM16,000 untuk empat botol.

"Sebelum ini anak pernah makan ubat, tetapi selepas tujuh hari antibodi badannya tidak lagi bertindak balas dengan ubat, anak tidak kencing serta

badan kembali sembah.

"Saya sedang berusaha mendapatkan RM16,000 dalam masa singkat kerana sudah banyak perbelanjaan dikeluarkan untuk menampung kos rawatan selama ini.

"Kebiasaannya pesakit buah pinggang bocor selalunya berusia dalam lingkungan empat tahun ke bawah tetapi kes anak saya ini usianya sudah belasan tahun, ada harapan pulih tetapi mengambil masa lama.

"Doktor memaklumkan hanya beberapa orang sahaja pesakit pernah ambil ubat ini dan tindak balas badan mereka menunjukkan perubahan positif makin pulih, harapannya anak saya pun segera sembuh.

"Saya hanya bekerja sebagai tukang urut manakala suami, Nik Mohd Faidhi Nik Harun penjawat awam dalam proses mengumpulkan duit bagi me-

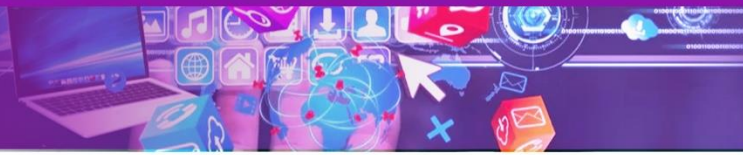


NIK Mukhriz dikesan menghidap buah pinggang bocor pada Februari lalu.

nampung kos rawatan anak," katanya.

Orang ramai yang ingin meringankan beban keluarga berkenaan boleh

menyalurkan sumbangan kepada akaun Maybank 163046309805 atau menghubungi di talian 019-9550340.



TAJUK : MEKANIK BUAT PENGAKUAN BERSALAH

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 20

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

AMANG SEKSUAL

Mekanik buat pengakuan bersalah

Melaka: Seorang mekanik berdepan hukuman penjara 20 tahun dan sebatan semalam selepas mengaku bersalah atas pertuduhan melakukan amang seksual fizikal terhadap seorang remaja perempuan, minggu lalu.

Tertuduh, Mohd Rizuan Abd Razak, 43, membuat pengakuan itu selepas dibacakan dan diterangkan pertuduhan oleh jurubahasa mahkamah di Mahkamah Sesyen Ayer Keroh di sini.

Mengikut pertuduhan, tertuduh didakwa melakukan amang seksual fizikal dengan cara memeluk remaja perempuan berusia 17 tahun sembilan bulan dalam keadaan tidak berbaju di sebuah rumah di Taman Jati, Batu Berendam di sini pada 9 Oktober lalu, kira-kira jam 1.20 pagi.

Pertuduhan dikemukakan Timbalan Pendakwa Raya N Sivashangari mengikut Seksyen 14(a) Kanun Keseksaan yang membawa hukuman penjara maksimum 20 tahun dan sebatan jika disabitkan.

Hakim Darmafikri Abu Adam bagaimanapun menangguhkan keputusan fakta dan hukuman pada

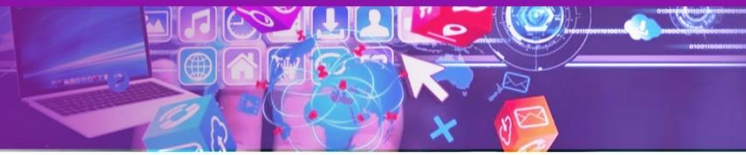


MOHD Rizuan

28 Oktober ini bagi membolehkan pendakwaan menyediakan fakta kes.

Tiada jaminan ditawarkan kepada tertuduh yang juga bapa kepada lima anak.

Difahamkan, siasatan polis mendapati, tertuduh baru beberapa hari berkenalan dengan mangsa menerusi aplikasi MiChat.



TAJUK : ORANG KUAT USAHA

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 39

TONE : POSITIF

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Tragedi kemalangan pada 14 Disember 2012 masih segar di ingatan seorang wanita kerana mengubah statusnya daripada insan normal menjadi orang kurang upaya (OKU) fizikal.

Insiden itu berlaku ketika motosikal dibonceng Syarifah Zuhira Said Tahir, 31, bersama rakan bertembung dengan lori.

Akibatnya, Syarifah Zuhira yang menetap di Batu 8, Gombak, Selangor mengalami kecederaan saraf tulang belakang atau *spinal cord injury* hingga lumpuh selama setahun sebelum dapat berjalan semula.

Hampir empat tahun juga Syarifah Zuhira mengambil masa untuk menerima keadaan dirinya dan kini, anak sulung daripada empat beradik tidak mengharap ihsan orang sekeliling saja.

Sebaliknya, Syarifah Zuhira berusaha mencari rezeki dengan menjadi pemandu e-hailing sejak lima tahun lalu.

Dia nekad melakukan semua itu walaupun sukar berjalan dan memandu kereta dalam tempoh lama kerana keadaan kaki kanan yang tak kuat.

"Ikutkan saya lumpuh (kekal) tapi Alhamdulillah, Allah beri saya peluang berpijak di bumi dan jalan semula cuma apabila bergelar OKU, bukan semua majikan ambil (bekerja) dan terfikir juga nak kerja apa dulu.

"Bagaimanapun, saya pergi ambil lesen (kereta) namun awalnya tak boleh mohon jadi pemandu e-hailing kerana masih da-



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Mulanya, saya
ambil penumpang
di kawasan
dekat saja
Syarifah Zuhira

SYARIFAH Zuhira mula kerja sebagai pemandu e-hailing di sekitar Kuala Lumpur.

ORANG KUAT USAHA

**Wanita pernah lumpuh
setahun kini mencari rezeki
sebagai pemandu e-hailing**

lam tempoh lesen P.

"Sementara tunggu lesen penuh, saya kerja lain dahulu dan mula jadi pemandu e-hailing pada September 2018.

"Mulanya, saya hanya mengambil penumpang di kawasan dekat saja kerana waktu itu boleh pilih (penumpang) secara manual kerana fikirkan diri perempuan dan OKU, tetapi kini tiada pilihan jadi hanya mampu berdoa sebelum pandu kereta," katanya.

Berkongsi pengalamannya sebagai pemandu

e-hailing OKU, Syarifah Zuhira berkata, rata-rata masyarakat tempatan faham dengan keadaannya yang berstatus OKU walaupun zahirnya nampak normal.

"Ada (penumpang) yang kasihan dan bagi tip kepada saya. Ada juga tanya macam mana boleh jadi OKU, tak kurang juga takut.

"Tapi pernah juga saya ditengking penumpang mat salih kerana tak dengngar katanya membuat punsangan U di tempat salah.

"Waktu itu, saya bertegas tak ikut permintaannya dan akhirnya dia (penumpang) yang mohon maaf," katanya yang pernah mendapat rawatan selama tiga bulan di Hospital Kuala Lumpur (HKL) dan tiga bulan lagi di Hospital Rehabilitasi Cheras (HRC).

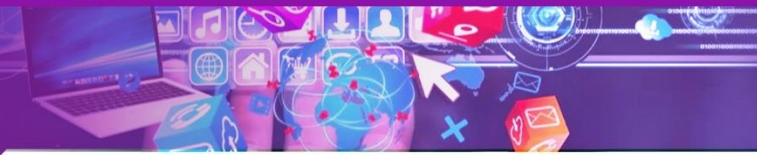
Syarifah Zuhira tidak menafikan ada yang memperlekehkan dan kurang yakin dengan kemampuannya menjadi pemandu e-hailing kerana status sebagai OKU fizikal.

"Biasalah orang kata saya perempuan jadi bahaya dan kalau apa-apa berlaku macam mana?

"Tapi bagi saya apa yang utama keluarga iaitu emak, ayah dan adik beradik sokong.

"Lagipun, saya tengok ada rakan OKU berkerusi roda pun boleh (jadi pemandu e-hailing) jadi mengapa tidak saya?"

"Pandangan orang, OKU dapat bantuan tapi bukan semua dan saya pula bukan jenis meminta jadi selagi ada kudrat, kita kerja kerana bagi saya OKU adalah Orang Kuat Usaha," katanya.



TAJUK : RM1.2 BILION UNTUK PENJAGAAN OKU

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 06

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

RM1.2 bilion untuk penjagaan OKU

Kuala Lumpur: Kerajaan akan menyalurkan peruntukan RM1.2 bilion bagi membantu penjagaan orang kurang upaya (OKU) termasuk elaun kepada pekerja OKU.

Perdana Menteri yang juga Menteri Kewangan, Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim berkata, kadar elaun pelatih OKU yang mengikuti Program Pemulihan Dalam Komuniti ditingkatkan kepada RM300 sebulan.

“Kerajaan turut menyediakan pembiayaan khas menerusi Bank Simpanan Nasional (BSN) berjumlah RM50 juta kepada usahawan OKU mikro,” katanya ketika membentangkan Belanjawan 2024 di Parlimen di sini, semalam.

Selain itu, beliau berkata, sejumlah RM1 bilion diperuntukkan bagi melindungi kesejahteraan warga emas termasuk membiayai bantuan tunai dan penyaluran dana bagi institusi penjagaan dan pusat aktiviti warga emas.

Katanya, kerajaan mencadangkan supaya Elaun Bangunan Industri diberikan kepada Rumah Jagaan Kejururawatan Swasta Warga Emas yang diluluskan Kementerian Kesihatan termasuk kos bangunan dan pengubahsuaian.

Dalam pada itu, beliau berkata, kerajaan juga memperuntukkan RM333 juta kepada komuniti Orang Asli mencakupi pelaksanaan projek pembangunan sosioekonomi, prasarana dan pemberian bantuan sosial.

Menurutnya, sejumlah

“Sejumlah RM1 bilion diperuntukkan bagi melindungi kesejahteraan warga emas termasuk membiayai bantuan tunai dan penyaluran dana bagi institusi penjagaan dan pusat aktiviti warga emas”

RM28 juta diperuntukkan bagi mempergiat program pembangunan usahawan Orang Asli serta penanaman semula ladang Orang Asli antaranya di Batang Padang, Perak dan Hulu Langat, Selangor.

Tahun depan, kata beliau, kerajaan turut meneruskan kerjasama dengan syarikat untuk menjayakan program Peluang Kedua Anda (Peka) kepada golongan banduan dan pelarian membabitkan peruntukan RM10 juta.

“Kerajaan juga akan membentangkan pindaan bagi Akta Penagih Dadah (Rawatan dan Pemulihan) 1983 bagi membolehkan penagih dadah menerima rawatan serta pemulihan tanpa dimasukkan ke institusi penjara,” katanya.

Katanya, kerajaan juga bersedia mempertimbangkan akses terkawal kepada keperluan asas termasuk pekerjaan, perkhidmatan serta pendidikan kepada pelarian dan pencari suaka di Malaysia.



TAJUK : SISA HAYATKU DI KATIL!

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 24

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

SISA HAYATKU DI KATIL!

Remaja perempuan terbabit nahas motor kini terlantar dan leher terpaksa ditebuk

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Kuala Krai

Seorang remaja perempuan terpaksa menghabiskan sisa hidupnya dengan terbaring di tilam selepas terbabit kemalangan Mac lalu.

Lebih menyedihkan, Nor Adawiah Awang Noh, 15, yang juga pelajar Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan (SMK) Keroh tidak dapat meneruskan persekolahan seperti rakan lain disebabkan keadaan diri yang terlantar dan perlu diuruskan.

Ibunya, Nor Haniza Arifin, 44, berkata, anak ketiga daripada lima beradik itu terbabit dalam kemalangan Mac lalu selepas motosikal ditunggang bersama rakan dilanggar motosikal lain ketika dalam perjalanan di Kampung Keroh.

"Akibat kemalangan, anak saya perlu jalani pembedahan membuang darah beku di kepala selain memasukkan besi pada paha sebelah kanan yang patah selain lehernya perlu ditebuk untuk saluran



NOR Haniza (tengah) bersama Che Norhayati (kanan) ketika melihat keadaan Nor Adawiah yang terlantar di katil di rumahnya di Kuala Krai.

pernafasan.

"Hampir dua bulan saya berkampung di Hospital Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) Kubang Kerian sebelum anak dibenar pulang ke rumah," katanya ketika ditemui di kediamannya di Kampung Pasir

Kelang Baru.

Terdahulu badan bukan kerajaan (NGO) Cempaka Merah Asnaf Society diwakili Pengerusinya, Che Norhayati Mohamed hadir menziarahi keluarga itu dan menyampaikan sumbangan wang tunai, ba-

rang keperluan asas, susu serta lampin pakai buang.

Nor Haniza yang juga ibu kepada lima anak berkata, Nor Adawiah hanya terbaring

serta perlu diuruskan seperti bayi, apatah lagi tidak boleh bersuara dan hanya menggunakan isyarat kerdipan mata setiap kali hendak berkomunikasi atau meminta sesuatu.

"Sejak kemalangan, anak saya bergantung sepenuhnya pada susu khas yang perlu diberi lima kali sehari melalui saluran tiub dipasang di hidung dan satu tin susu berharga RM120 hanya bertahan untuk enam hari.

"Setiap bulan saya perlu peruntukkan RM1,000 beli susu khas dan lampin pakai buang untuk keperluan Nor Adawiah dan itu tidak termasuk kos tambang ambulans mencecah sehingga RM650 bagi perjalanan pergi dan balik ketika temu janji dengan pakar di Hospital USM," katanya.

Katanya, kos bulanan ditanggungnya agak membebankan selepas arwah suaminya, Awang Noh Mohamed meninggal dunia lima tahun lalu disebabkan penyakit jantung selain perlu menanggung dua lagi

anak masih bersekolah berusia 8 dan 10 tahun.

"Walaupun Nor Adawiah dan dua adiknya yang masih bersekolah menerima bantuan bulanan Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) RM450 sebulan, namun ia tidak mencukupi.

"Mujur anak sulung bekerja di sebuah kilang di Johor ada kiriman wang belanja untuk kami di kampung namun sekadar termampu memandangkan dia sudah berkahwin dan perlu menanggung isteri serta anaknya.

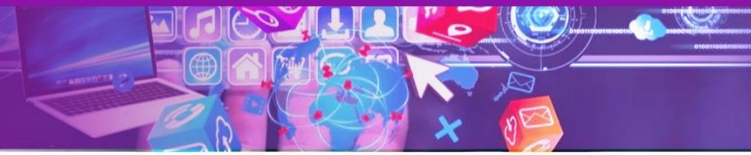
"Justeru, saya perlu berjimat cermat dan ada ketikanya harap belas ihsan adik beradik dan saudara mara terdekat," katanya.

Nor Haniza berkata, doktor memaklumkan peluang anaknya itu kembali pulih agak tipis dan walaupun diuji masalah kewangan, dia tetap akan menjaga Nor Adawiah dengan penuh kasih sayang.

"Saya tidak putus berdo dan menaruh harapan tinggi supaya Nor Adawiah kembali pulih seperti sedia kala," katanya.

Orang ramai yang ingin menghulur sumbangan boleh menghubungi Nor Haniza Arifin di talian 010-5450515.

**“
Anak saya bergantung sepenuhnya pada susu khas
Nor Haniza**



TAJUK : RM10B FOR RAHMAH CASH AID SCHEME

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : NEW STRAITS TIMES

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 03

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

TO BENEFIT 9 MILLION

RM10b for Rahmah Cash Aid scheme

KUALA LUMPUR: The government will increase the allocation for the Rahmah Cash Aid (STR) initiative to RM10 billion compared with the RM8 billion previously, which is set to benefit some nine million people.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said the maximum STR amount would also be increased from RM3,100 to RM3,700, while the minimum STR rate for youths would be

raised from RM350 to RM500.

"The first STR payment for households is usually capped at RM300. For 2024, the first payment will be raised to RM500 and will be disbursed before Ramadan," he said when tabling of the 2024 Budget yesterday.

He said the government would also expand the Rahmah Basic Aid to 700,000 STR recipients, who would receive RM100 a month over 12 months.

"The government will begin accepting new applications as early as November this year. Applications will be accepted throughout the year compared with once a year previously. The first payment of RM500 will be made in February next year," he said.

He said the Payung Rahmah initiative would get an allocation of RM200 million, which would include the Rahmah Sales and Pasar Rahmah programmes.



TAJUK : WOMAN TARGETED BY LOAN SHARK

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : NEW STRAITS TIMES

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 12

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

FAMILY LIVING IN FEAR

WOMAN TARGETED BY LOAN SHARK

Loan shark threatens to burn her house if she fails to repay ex-husband's debt

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AN executive at a company in Singapore is living in fear after being harassed by a loan shark despite being separated and cutting ties with her ex-husband 10 years ago.

The woman, identified only as Yeng, 42, said the loan shark threatened to set fire to her family home in Taman Desa Jaya here if she did not repay her ex-husband's debt.

"Our family's nightmare began in the middle of last month when I received threatening messages from the loan shark, pressuring me to repay the money borrowed by my ex-husband.

"Not only that, the loan shark then came to my sister's house

and left a threatening note demanding the repayment of my ex-husband's debt.

"On Oct 3, the loan shark splashed yellow paint at our house, damaging the gate and a car," she said at a press conference at the Johor Jaya State Assemblyman's Office in Taman Johor Jaya here on Thursday.

Yeng said her family had to spend around RM2,000 to repair the damage caused by the actions of the loan shark.

The single mother of two children aged 14 and 18 said, ever since then she has been worried about her family's safety.

"My two children live with my brother, sister and brother-in-law in the house, while I can only return from Singapore once a week.

"Our family has trouble sleeping every night, not knowing



Yeng (second from right) showing the police report at a press conference at the Johor Jaya State Assemblyman's Office in Johor Baru on Thursday. PIC BY OMAR AHMAD

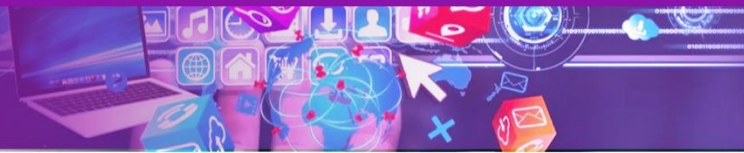
when the loan shark will return. This is not the first time my ex-husband has had issues with the loan shark.

"My ex-husband borrowed

money from the loan shark before. This problem was also the reason for our divorce.

"When we were still married, our old house was also splashed

with paint because he had borrowed money from the loan shark," she said, adding that she had filed three police reports regarding the matter.



TAJUK : GOVERNMENT TO IMPLEMENT INITIATIVES ENCOURAGING WOMEN TO REJOIN WORKFORCE

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 06

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Government to implement initiatives encouraging women to rejoin workforce

KUALA LUMPUR: The Unity Government, through the Malaysia Madani Budget 2024, will implement several initiatives to raise women's participation in the labour force to 60 per cent, which is a benchmark in the Madani Economy Framework.

"To continue encouraging women to return to work, the tax incentives for women to return to work will be extended until Dec 31, 2027.

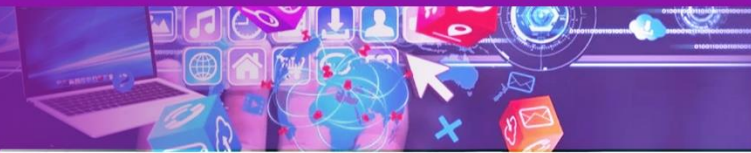
"The government proposes that income tax exemption limits on childcare allowance received by workers or paid directly by employers to childcare centres be increased from RM2,400 to RM3,000," said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim when tabling Budget 2024 themed 'Economic Reform, Empower

People' in the Dewan Rakyat yesterday.

In addition, Anwar said Bumiputera investment institutions would be placed under Yayasan Pelaburan Bumiputera (YPB).

"Pelaburan Hartanah Berhad (PHB) will also be merged under Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) and strengthened through the government's strategic land injection, especially in Kuala Lumpur, for housing projects.

"Equitas (Ekuiti Nasional Berhad) will also be placed under the umbrella of YPB to enhance Bumiputera business expansion with the collaboration of PNB and PUNB (Perbadanan Usahawan Nasional Berhad)," he said. — Bernama



TAJUK : MAN IN KUCHING DISCHARGED, ACQUITTED OF SEXUALLY ASSAULTING STEPDAUGHTER

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 11

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Man in Kuching discharged, acquitted of sexually assaulting stepdaughter

KUCHING: The Sessions Court here yesterday discharged and acquitted a 48-year-old man of three counts of sexually assaulting his then eight-year-old stepdaughter last year.

Judge Musli Ab Hamid delivered the decision after finding the prosecution had

failed to prove a prima facie case against the accused.

The court therefore discharged and acquitted the accused at the close of the prosecution's case without calling him to enter his defence.

The three charges were

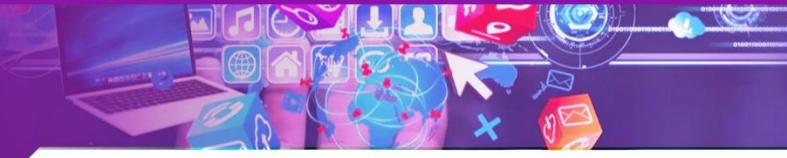
framed under Section 14(a) of the Sexual Offences Against Children Act 2017, which is punishable under Section 14 of the same Act, read together with Section 16 of the same Act, which carries a jail term of up to 20 years and caning.

According to the three

charges, the man was accused of committing the offence in Matang between January 2022 and Oct 6, 2022.

During the trial, four prosecution witnesses were called.

DPP Norshafatihah Nor Azmi prosecuted the case.



TAJUK : A NEED TO BE GENDER RESPONSIVE

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 12

TONE : NEUTRAL

SEKTOR : KPWKM

A need to be gender responsive

Budget was a missed opportunity for the country, say women's groups

PETALING JAYA: Women's groups feel that Budget 2024 is a "missed opportunity" for the country to have a truly gender-responsive budget that benefits the whole population.

"We understand that this is a budget for various communities and groups, but we also see this as a missed opportunity," said Women's Aid Organisation (WAO) advocacy director Abinaya Mohan.

"Excluding the gender perspective limits the impact of the budget allocations for 50% of the population.

"Focusing on care and increasing the labour force participation of women needs a gender-responsive approach.

"This cannot be addressed through just two or three allocations, but it needs efforts from every ministry and every agency," she said.

Abinaya said the allocation for women, namely, the RM720mil for business and entrepreneurship and tax incentives to re-enter the workforce, was good and necessary, but pointed out that these are extensions from Budget 2023.

"There needs to be more transparency in reporting on the success of past allocations so that we can assess the efficacy of such allocations," she said.

"Ultimately, we must work towards a budget that looks at the needs of men, women, boys and girls – not just at blanket sectors," said Abinaya.

"Another example would be the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) programme; allocations must have studied the needs of boys and girls, men and women, who are accessing TVET," she said.

"For example, is there uptake by women of TVET programmes, and if so, are they given equal opportunity to apply for these training programmes?"

"We know that there is a drop in women's participation in STEM, so how would that impact TVET's focus on partnering with engineering and oil companies?"

Abinaya said.

In the Budget 2024 announcement, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said that Amanah Ikhtiar Malaysia (AIM) has been successful in helping one million borrowers, especially single mothers and the poor, through the provision of small business capital since its inception.

To further support the function of AIM, which strives to eradicate poverty, the government is providing an allocation of RM100mil.

To increase women's labour force participation to 60%, there will be tax incentives for women to re-enter the workforce until 2027.

There is an increased tax exemption from RM2,400 to RM3,000 for employers who offer allowances for childcare for staff.

He also said that RM100mil will be allocated to support the work of NGOs and civil society organisations.

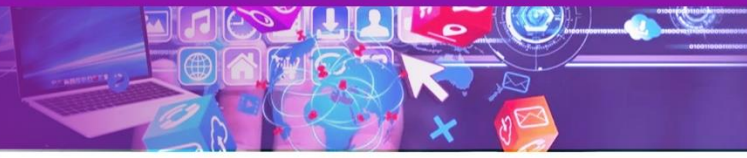
"Women's Centre for Change (WCC) welcomes the RM100mil allocation in support of the work of NGOs as well as civil society organisations.

Women's groups have been pushing for allocations for many years, and NGOs such as women's groups play a particularly important role in providing services on the ground such as counselling, legal support, court support, and so on.

"What we would like to know is how we go about accessing these funds, into which ministries these funds are channelled, and what are the avenues for us to apply," said WCC's (Penang) programme director Karen Lai.

Sisters in Islam executive director Rozana Isa said any kind of financial assistance provided to NGOs is welcome and positive.

"However, it is important to note that it does not go only to NGOs that provide service to the public but also to those who work in the field of advocacy, namely improving law and policy," she said.



TAJUK : MORE NEEDED FOR OKU

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 14

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

More needed for OKU

Groups laud budget but say more can be done



PETALING JAYA: For many parents of children with special needs, Budget 2024 has brought some relief.

Fintan Romuald Inbaraj Nicholas, 52, who has a teenager with Down syndrome, acknowledges the increase in assistance in Budget 2024 for children with learning difficulties.

"Overall, Budget 2024 provides some relief for people with disabilities. However, there is a need for further empowerment.

"The most common grouse is that there is no tax relief for therapy classes, which are essential for children with special needs.

"While government hospitals do provide this, it is not enough, and parents have to send their kids for additional lessons to ensure their children reach their full potential.

"Speech and occupational therapies are especially crucial. I would like to see these services become a norm for children with learning difficulties, rather than relying on parents to seek out establishments independently to guide their children," says the Kuala Lumpur-based businessman.

OKU Sentral president Datuk Ras Adiba Radzi lauds Budget 2024 for its focus on the development and empowerment of the disabled community.

"I welcome the implementation of the Madani Training Programme, which includes retraining and skill enhancement for disabled and senior citizens. Additionally, the Social Security Organisation (Socso) will provide a special incentive of RM1,500 per month for six months to employ (those from) the vulnerable groups.

"This effort will help the disabled to secure employment that is commensurate with their qualifications, thus reducing the unemployment rate among young disabled individuals.

"The government must find ways to ensure the disabled are not left behind in the job market and are provided with 'dignified wages'."

When tabling Budget 2024, Finance Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said the government was continuing its efforts to employ vulnerable groups through the MYFutureJobs employment matching and MyStep programmes.

Ras Adiba is pleased with this news.

"Through these programmes, vulnerable



Parent's expectation: Fintan (left) stresses the need for further empowerment for people with disabilities, including his son, Gerard, who was diagnosed with Down syndrome. — Photo courtesy of Fintan

groups will be offered contract placements with an allowance of RM1,500 for a period of six months in various ministries, government-linked investment companies, and government-linked companies, as well as government strategic partners.

"I urge the government to emphasise the importance of permanent employment because the MyStep initiative only addresses the short-term needs of the disabled community.

"Employment security for the disabled should be discussed in the National Employment Council involving disabled experts," she said.

Ras Adiba said these provisions emphasised the importance of adequate support to ensure a dignified life for the disabled community.

She urged the government to continue protecting and empowering the disabled, saying the initiatives unveiled in the budget were essential for the holistic development and well-being of the community.

However, National Autism Society of Malaysia (Nasom) chairman Julian Wong said there seemed to be limited coverage to address the specific needs and challenges faced by the disabled community.

"It is limited to assistance for bedridden disabled persons, disabled persons without the ability to work, and allowance for disabled workers.

"With rising costs that affect all communities, there needs to be more assistance

provided for the disabled communities and their caregivers, like parents or relatives, to ease their financial burden," he said.

Wong acknowledges certain improvements in the Budget, saying: "There are improvements, such as increasing the allowance (for participants) in the Community Rehabilitation Programme (from RM150) to RM300 per month, which will benefit disabled trainees."

However, he expressed concern about the lack of support for non-governmental organisations (NGOs) offering early intervention and vocational programmes.

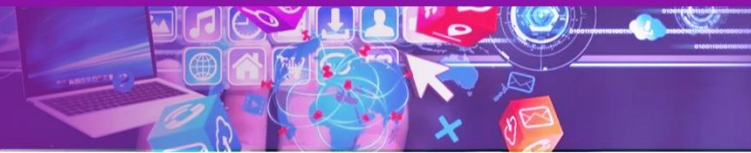
"While RM30mil will be allocated to supply equipment for special education, this seems to be limited to government schools.

"The government should look more seriously into providing assistance to families in the B40 and M40 groups that have special needs children due to rising costs in various developmental programmes," he said.

He highlighted the need for budget allocation to enhance specialised services in general hospitals, such as speech therapy.

"Private centres now charge anything from RM1,500 to RM10,000 per person per month for various developmental programmes which are out of reach for many.

"For Nasom, while our fees remain affordable, we have reached maximum capacity and are unable to expand to help more children on the spectrum," Wong added.



TAJUK : RM1.2BIL SET ASIDE FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 14

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

RM1.2bil set aside for persons with disabilities

GEORGE TOWN: In the past, loans for persons with disabilities (PWD) were practically non-existent, even for small amounts.

Under Budget 2024, a total of RM1.2bil has been allocated for PWD under various forms of assistance such as care for the chronically ill and the bedridden, unemployment benefits for unemployable PWD, and allowances for PWD workers which will help them improve their lives and alleviate the pressure of inflation.

Penang Cheshire Home president Andrew Koay said the benefits for PWD micro-entrepreneurs were truly meaningful.

"The incentives offered will make a difference to those with disabilities who want to become independent.

"Loans for them are never available. It is almost impossible for them to secure bank loan approval, even for a small amount.

"These microloans can change the trajectory of their lives.

"We have two residents who started a transport business, where they provide transport to the elderly or other disabled people.

"With this microloan, they may be able to upgrade their vehicles.

"Some who want to start selling their handicrafts can use this to start their business, or even expand their small business," he said, adding that with the increasing prices of things, it would be harder for the disabled than the rest.

On the RM1bil allocated towards protecting the well-being of the elderly, including providing financial assistance for the care and activity centres of the group, Rose Charities Malaysia president Datuk Lawrence Cheah said it was a first and much welcomed move.

"We are an ageing community and usually we are not recognised.

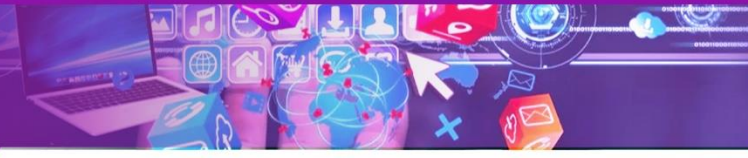
"To include us and offer aid will make a difference to those who really need it," Cheah said.

"I am unsure of how they plan to distribute the aid, but if they can give some of it to the senior citizen organisations based on the number of residents, it will benefit them," he added.

Cheah said Penang had the second highest number of senior citizens, and the aid would definitely help them with their expenses.

"There is a need for centres where senior citizens can mingle and take part in activities. The funds towards such centres is welcomed.

"They get bored at home as they do not have a proper place which caters to their generation," he said.



TAJUK :	RM2.4BIL FOR SOCIAL WELFARE AND HARDCORE POOR		
HARI :	SABTU	AKHBAR :	THE STAR
TARIKH :	14 OKT 2023	M/SURAT :	12
TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

RM2.4bil for social welfare and hardcore poor

PETALING JAYA: Several provisions to help the B40 community were announced under Budget 2024.

Among them, the Social Welfare Department will receive RM2.4bil to assist some 450,000 people including the hardcore poor, senior citizens, children and the disabled.

The government will also continue to provide free driving tests for those taking Class B2 motorcycle, ehailing and taxis licences.

Over 40,000 youth from low-income families will benefit from this.

In addition, 100,000 free helmets will be distributed to motorcyclists and riders, including children.

Subsidised flight tickets under FLYsiswa will also be continued for almost 60,000

students. The initiative aims to help university students flying domestically between Sabah, Sarawak, Peninsular Malaysia and Labuan to return to their hometowns and get back to the varsities for a new semester.

The Human Resource Development Corporation will allocate 15% of its total levy collection for the Madani training programme to reskill vulnerable groups, including the disabled, the elderly and retirees as well as ex-convicts.

The rebate on electricity bills of up to RM40 monthly for hardcore poor households would also be carried on with an allocation of RM55mil.

Next year, RM500mil will be set aside to increase participation in the People's Income Initiative (IPR) to supplement the income of the underprivileged group.



TAJUK : SENIOR CITIZENS FEEL LEFT OUT

HARI : SABTU

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 14 OKT 2023

M/SURAT : 10

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Senior citizens feel left out

Allocation for elderly lacking, say experts

PETALING JAYA: Despite the country heading towards becoming an ageing nation – with an estimation that over six million will be 65 and older by 2040 – an inadequate safety net is provided for seniors in yesterday's tabling of Budget 2024, say many experts.

The general consensus was that the allocation was not enough, particularly for golden agers who are in need of help, finances and facilities.

Association for Residential Aged Care Operators (AgeCope) president Delren Terrence Douglas called the budget "a great disappointment".

"We have government departments coming out with statistics to say that we are heading towards an ageing nation; yet other agencies are not in tune with this reality," he said.

Douglas pointed out an example: the Industrial Building Allowance (of up to 10% of the total building cost) for Health Ministry-approved private nursing homes would, at best, benefit only about 10% of the country's senior care homes.

"If this allowance is only for ministry-approved homes, then this would only benefit 22 or 23 homes.

"The majority of the country's 1,700 to 2,000-odd care centres are licensed by the Welfare Department," he said.

What would have been helpful, he said, is addressing the licensing difficulties these centres face, because registering their homes would improve government data on seniors under the care of others.

"The amount of red tape we face is tremendous, due to different requirements by the various local councils," he said.

He added that the country is facing a shortage of trained caregivers and there is no standard syllabus to train them.

He said there is also a need to help those

who have to send their parents to these centres.

"Many cannot take care of their parents at home and cannot afford the fees," he said.

New Era University College Institute of Ageing and Professional Care director Assoc Prof Dr Edward Foo asked for clarification on the Industrial Building Allowance.

"It is unclear if the allowance is only for Health Ministry-registered institutions, or does it include Welfare Department-registered institutions?

"The latter is normally the ones that need upgrading.

"Giving the allowance wider coverage is a smart strategy to get unrecorded elderly care homes registered with the government," he said.

Gerontologist Lily Fu said there should have been an allocation for programmes to raise awareness about the prevention of diseases affecting seniors.

"Prevention will help ease the financial burden of families and the government.

"The funding for healthcare should also be allocated for building more public nursing homes, given that there are only two, nationwide," she said.

Malaysian Association for Social Care Professionals and Homes secretary-general Dr Melody Ang said the allocation for Madani training to reskill retirees and the elderly is a good initiative.

"I hope the allocation will help ease our budget constraints, because currently, we have to underprice our courses by 50% to 70%.

"We would also like to recommend that the target group be widened to include seniors' family members because many of them – often women – who are caregivers of the elderly, do so without any training," she said.



TAJUK :	LELAKI DILEPAS, DI BEBAS DARIPADA TIGA TUDUHAN AMANG SEKSUAL TERHADAP ANAK TIRI		
HARI :	SABTU	AKHBAR :	UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)
TARIKH :	14 OKT 2023	M/SURAT :	08
TONE :	NEGATIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Lelaki dilepas, dibebaskan daripada tiga tuduhan amang seksual terhadap anak tiri

KUCHING: Seorang lelaki dilepas dan dibebaskan oleh Mahkamah Sesyen di sini, semalam daripada tiga tuduhan melakukan amang seksual fizikal terhadap anak tirinya yang berusia lapan tahun pada 2022.

Hakim Musli Abdul Hamid membuat keputusan itu setelah mendapati pihak pendakwa gagal membuktikan kes prima facie terhadap tertuduh yang berusia 48 tahun pada akhir kes pendakwaan.

Musli mengarahkan tertuduh dilepas dan dibebaskan tanpa dipanggil membela diri bagi ketiga-tiga pertuduhan, selain memerintahkan wang jaminan dipulangkan kepada tertuduh.

Mengikut kesemua pertuduhan, tertuduh didakwa melakukan serangan seksual fizikal untuk tujuan seks terhadap kanak-kanak tersebut dengan cara menyentuh kemaluan mangsa menggunakan



HADIR: Tertuduh (tengah) semasa berada di lobi Kompleks Mahkamah Kuching semalam, selesai keputusan kes.

tangannya (tertuduh).

Kesalahan itu didakwa dilakukannya antara Januari 2022 dan 6 Oktober 2022 semasa berada dalam sebuah bilik di sebuah rumah di Matang, di sini.

Ketiga-tiga pertuduhan dibuat mengikut Seksyen 14(a) Akta Kesalahan Seksual Terhadap Kanak-Kanak (SOACA) 2017 yang boleh dihukum

mengikut Seksyen 14 akta sama dan dibaca bersama Seksyen 16 akta sama.

Seksyen 14 SOACA 2017 memperuntukkan hukuman penjara tidak melebihi 20 tahun dan boleh disebat sementara Seksyen 16 SOACA 2017 membawa hukuman penjara tidak melebihi lima tahun dan boleh disebat tidak kurang daripada

dua sebatan jika sabit kesalahan.

Kes dikendalikan oleh Timbalan Pendakwa Raya Norshafatihah Nor Azmi itu menyaksikan pihak pendakwaan memanggil sejumlah empat saksi untuk memberikan keterangan.

Tertuduh diwakili peguam daripada Joshua Company dan Advocate.