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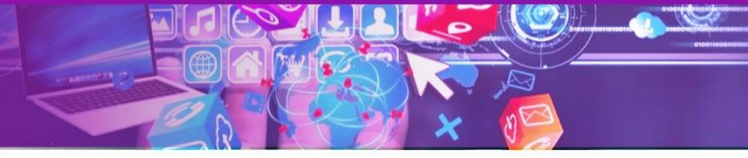
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TAJUK : PASANG ALAT PENGERSAN ELAK TRAGEDI TERTINGGAL ANAK DALAM KERETA

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : BERITA HARIAN

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 10

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Pasang alat pengesanan elak tragedi tertinggal anak dalam kereta

• Jika fikiran tidak difokuskan kepada anak dihantar atau anak pula tidak berada di ruang mudah dilihat, maka kegagalan kognitif seseorang boleh berlaku hingga menyebabkan individu berkenaan terlupa

• Hasil kajian mendapati responden mempunyai pengalaman terlupa anak dalam kenderaan merekodkan tahap purata skor tekanan memabitkan beban tugas di tempat kerja agak tinggi



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Kes kematian kanak-kanak ditinggalkan dalam kenderaan oleh ibu bapa atau penjaga berlaku setiap tahun, sekali gus menjadi trauma kepada individu terbabit.

Sebahagian besar kes berlaku disebabkan ibu bapa atau penjaga terlupa menghantar kanak-kanak ke pusat asuhan atau sekolah kerana perubahan rutin perjalanan atau tugas pada waktu pagi.

Jika fikiran tidak difokuskan kepada anak dihantar atau anak pula tidak berada di ruang mudah dilihat, maka kegagalan kognitif seseorang boleh berlaku sehingga menyebabkan individu berkenaan terlupa.

Ia menyebabkan kanak-kanak terdedah strok haba dalam kenderaan yang bergantung kepada keadaan biologi dan fisiologi seperti usia, status kesihatan dan cuaca persekitaran.

Kanak-kanak berusia antara 1 hingga 5 tahun mengalami proses pemindehan haba daripada persekitaran sekeliling lebih tinggi berbanding orang dewasa. Proses mekanisma perpeluhan dalam badan tidak cukup matang untuk melindungi mereka daripada haba berlebihan.

Keadaan menjadi bertambah buruk apabila penjaga terlupa dan meninggalkan anak dalam kenderaan berkunci kerana suhu di dalamnya mungkin meningkat daripada 16 darjah Celsius kepada 40 darjah Celsius dalam masa beberapa minit.

Sebenarnya, kes ini juga berlaku di negara luar seperti Amerika Syarikat (AS), Itali dan China. Menurut kajian, dua keadaan menjadi penyebab kanak-kanak ditinggalkan, iaitu penjaga dalam keadaan sedar sama ada kanak-kanak tertidur atau terkunci dalam kereta ketika bermain atau terdapat masalah pada sistem kenderaan.

Keadaan kedua pula ketika penjaga tidak sedar atau terlupa kehadiran anak dalam kenderaan dengan faktor risiko antaranya usia, tahap pendidikan, bilangan anak, perubahan rutin harian dan keletihan.

Pada tahun ini sahaja, tiga kes ibu bapa terlupa anak mereka dalam kenderaan sehingga membawa kepada kematian di negara ini.

Kajian rintis deskriptif dijalankan penyelidik Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah (UMPSA), Institut Keselamatan Jalan Raya Malaysia (MIROS) dan Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM), mendapati 34 peratus daripada keseluruhan responden mengakui ada pengalaman terlupa anak dalam kenderaan sama ada untuk tempoh sekejap atau lama, iaitu melebihi 10 minit. Hasil kajian juga menunjukkan 70 peratus kes

membabitkan ibu. Antara puncanya, meninggalkan anak dengan niat 'tinggal sekejap sahaja' untuk urusan membeli barangan runcit di kedai atau perbankan sehingga anak dalam kereta tidak lagi berada dalam konteks pemikiran. Ini antara contoh situasi kegagalan kognitif.

Kajian juga mendapati nilai purata tahap kegagalan kognitif, responden mempunyai pengalaman terlupa anak dalam kenderaan adalah tinggi berbanding kumpulan responden yang tiada pengalaman itu

Penyebab kegagalan kognitif

Antara penyebab kegagalan kognitif ialah sifat pelupa, gangguan terhadap aktiviti rutin dan false triggering atau was-was. Ketiga-tiganya adalah kesilapan sering dilakukan manusia dan menjadi faktor kemanusiaan. Namun, kegagalan kognitif boleh dibendung dengan intervensi terfokus dan sistematik.

“Sudah sampai masa ibu bapa di negara ini mempunyai kesedaran untuk memasang CPD. Pihak berwajib pula boleh menjalankan kempen keselamatan berkaitan kes ini”

Ia juga berpunca tiada sifat kesedaran yang merujuk keadaan apabila kita melakukan sesuatu pekerjaan dalam keadaan sedar secara penuh atau memberikan tumpuan lebih terhadapnya tanpa gangguan.

Berdasarkan kaji selidik, responden mendapati mempunyai pengalaman terlupa anak dalam kenderaan menunjukkan nilai skor purata kesedaran lebih rendah berbanding kumpulan responden tiada pengalaman terlupa.

Terdapat beberapa aspek dalam pembentukan sifat dan tingkah laku kesedaran, iaitu keupayaan untuk memerhati, mengambarkan, bertindak dengan kesedaran, tidak bertindak balas dan tidak menghakimi. Semua aspek ini, menjadi penanda aras seseorang itu sama ada cenderung atau tidak untuk lebih berhati-hati dalam menjalani kehidupan seharian.

Apabila dalam keadaan sedar secara penuh, in-

dividu dapat mengatur dan mengawal pemikiran, tingkah laku serta maklum balas dengan lebih baik tidak kira sama ada dalam menjalankan rutin kerja seharian atau ia terganggu dengan kepelbagaian faktor tidak dirancang.

Merujuk kepada *American Psychological Association* (APA), individu melakukan kerja dengan keadaan sedar secara penuh dapat membantu mengurangkan tekanan, menguatkan ingatan, membantu menajamkan fikiran dan tumpuan, mengurangkan kekeliruan emosi, mengurangkan keresahan serta membantu menambah baik personaliti.

Tidak dinafikan, tekanan juga boleh menjadi penyebab berlaku kegagalan kognitif hingga kurang peka terhadap tugas atau aktiviti sedang dilakukan.

Tekanan dalam kehidupan secara am terbahagi kepada konstruktif dan destruktif. Tekanan konstruktif merujuk tekanan berupaya menjadikan seseorang lebih berjaya dan komited dalam mencapai sesuatu objektif, iaitu berkedar langsung dengan prestasi pekerjaan mahupun kehidupan.

Tekanan destruktif pula merujuk kepada jenis tekanan menyebabkan prestasi individu semakin hari semakin menurun, akhirnya membawa kepada fasa kemurungan jika dibiarkan berterusan.

Hasil kajian mendapati responden mempunyai pengalaman terlupa anak dalam kenderaan merekodkan tahap purata skor tekanan memabitkan beban tugas di tempat kerja agak tinggi.

Walaupun kajian hanya memabitkan kelompok kecil, dapatan boleh dijadikan panduan dan rujukan untuk masa hadapan bagi mengelak kes terlupa anak dalam kenderaan berulang.

Individu juga perlu peka tahap kegagalan kognitif dan status tekanan dalam diri masing-masing. Ini penting bagi mengetahui punca dan membendung kejadian hingga kes sedemikian tidak lagi berlaku.

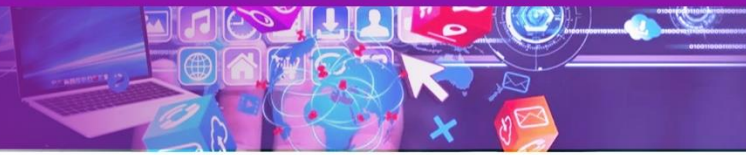
Cara lain boleh dilakukan bagi membantu ibu bapa menangani isu ini seperti pemasangan alat pengesanan kanak-kanak (CPD) dalam kenderaan.

Alat ini berupaya menghantar mesej kepada ibu bapa jika terdapat pengesanan objek dalam kenderaan yang diletakkan dalam masa beberapa minit. Kebanyakan negara seperti AS dan Eropah sudah memperkenalkan teknologi pemasangan alat ini secara meluas.

Sudah sampai masa ibu bapa di negara ini mempunyai kesedaran untuk memasang CPD. Pihak berwajib pula boleh menjalankan kempen keselamatan berkaitan kes ini, contohnya di tempat kerja dan pusat beli-belah.

Pencerahan mengenai keperluan pemasangan alat peranti ini juga dilihat perlu untuk meningkatkan kesedaran terhadap tahap keselamatan kanak-kanak di negara ini.

Semua artikel penulis tamu adalah pendapat peribadi, bukan pendirian rasmi BH



TAJUK : 23 KELUARGA MANGSA BANJIR DI KINTA, KERIAN MASIH DI 3 PPS

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : HARIAN METRO

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 11

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

23 keluarga mangsa banjir di Kinta, Kerian masih di 3 PPS

Ipoh: Sebanyak 83 orang daripada 23 keluarga mangsa banjir di Kinta dan Kerian masih berada di tiga pusat pemindahan sementara (PPS) pagi semalam berbanding 84 orang daripada 24 keluarga malam kelmarin.

Sekretariat Jawatankuasa Pengurusan Bencana Negeri Perak dalam satu kenyataan memaklumkan seorang mangsa di PPS Dewan

Orang Ramai Taman Meru 2A di Kinta telah pulang ke kediamannya menjadikan hanya lapan orang daripada satu keluarga berada di PPS itu.

"Di Kerian, 18 orang daripada tiga keluarga masih berada di PPS Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Changkat Lobak manakala 57 orang daripada 19 keluarga di PPS SK Alor Pongsu," menurut kenyataan itu.

Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia (MetMalaysia) pula meramalkan kesemua 12 daerah di negeri ini dijangka berlaku hujan pada sebelah petang dan malam.

Jabatan Pengairan dan

Saliran memaklumkan bahawa Sungai Bidor di Changkat Jong berada pada paras berjaga-jaga dengan merekodkan bacaan 3.15 meter.

Jabatan Kerja Raya (JKR)

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Perak turut memaklumkan bahawa di Kerian, laluan FT 147 Jalan Selama ditutup kepada semua kenderaan selepas kawasan itu dinaiki air dan orang ramai diarah menggunakan jalan alternatif di A111 Jalan Pin-tasan Alor Pongsu-Bukit Merah.

Di Batang Padang, laluan FT 1152 Felda Trolak Selatan dibuka satu lorong hanya kepada kenderaan

ringan kerana pembaikan jalan utama perlu dilakukan segera berikutan keadaan bahu jalan yang runtuh.

"Laluan di FT 001 Jalan Ipoh-Tanjung Malim hanya dibuka satu lorong kepada semua kenderaan kerana Pemasangan Pelan Pengurusan Trafik (TMP) telah dibuat di lokasi akibat tanah runtuh," menurut JKR.



TAJUK :	'ORGANISE MORE PROGRAMMES TO EMPOWER WOMEN IN BUSINESS'		
HARI :	ISNIN	AKHBAR :	THE BORNEO POST
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TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM



Sharifah Hasidah (sixth left), with programme's organising committee head Zaiton Istiar Khan on her left, leads the cake-cutting ceremony.

'Organise more programmes to empower women in business'

KUCHING: Deputy Minister in Sarawak Premier's Department (Law, Malaysia Agreement 1963 and State-Federal Relations) Datuk Sharifah Hasidah Sayeed Aman Ghazali has called for more women's empowerment programmes to be run.

She says this is also a way to encourage more of them to participate in economic activities.

According to her, half of the

nation's population consists of women and their achievements in various fields cannot be denied.

"Just look at the institutions of higher learning or schools, you can see that many of the top achievers are women.

"The roles played by women in the society are very important, and we must take care of them," she said this when officiating at the one-day 'Sarawak Women and Food

Symposium' conducted by Persatuan Masakan dan Kuih Muih Sarawak, at a hotel here yesterday.

Sharifah Hasidah also hoped that more knowledge-based programmes could be carried out for the benefit of the local womenfolk, as well as for promoting good health through healthy diet.

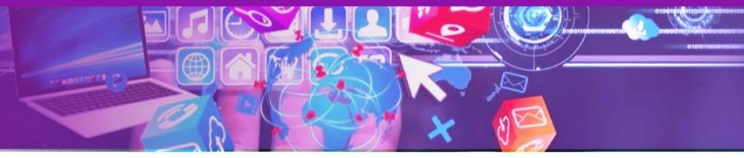
A cake-cutting ceremony was performed to mark the association's 20th anniversary

celebration.

Sharifah Hasidah attended the symposium on behalf of the Sarawak Premier's wife Datuk Amar Juma'ani Tuanku Bujang.

The session involved 170 participants, including those from the Association of Wives of Ministers and Deputy Ministers of Sarawak (Sabati).

The speakers were from Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) Sarawak Campus.



TAJUK :	CHILDREN'S DAY 2023 CELEBRATE UNIQUENESS, DIVERSE TALENTS OF SUCCESSIVE GENERATIONS		
HARI :	ISNIN	AKHBAR :	THE BORNEO POST
TARIKH :	20 NOV 2023	M/SURAT :	07
TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Children's Day 2023 celebrates uniqueness, diverse talents of successive generations

KUALA LUMPUR: Every child is talented and special in their own way, and even if they are different it can be the basis to guide and mould them while young in order to shape their identity as they grow and develop into adults.

To celebrate the uniqueness of children and nurture their diverse talents, this year's National Children's Day celebration, themed 'Our Rights, Our Future', will focus on the development of talent among the nation's successive generations.

The celebration will be held today (Nov 20) at the Holiday Villa Johor Bahru in Johor, where the launch would be performed by Minister of Women, Family and Community Development Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri.

Director of the Child Development Department at the Welfare Department, Dr Sopian Brahim, regarded children as 'valuable national assets in determining the direction and future of Malaysia', and therefore, their roles should be formed at a young age.

"Every child is unique and talented, with diverse individual skills, intelligence, development, and growth.

"They are like jewels that need polishing as important assets towards shaping the country's future," he told Bernama.

Sofian said children need to be celebrated and developed

in the best possible way to become successful adults who are able to contribute to the country in various fields

Dr Sopian said in line with the theme of this year's celebration, which is to recognise, promote, and celebrate the rights of children, it must be translated into effective action and ultimately, the foundation to provide a better life for all children.

"The theme emphasises the importance of providing children with essential tools and resources needed to achieve their potential; thereby, enabling them to become productive and responsible members of society," he added.

"It also stresses the importance of creating a safe and secure environment for children to grow and develop.

"They have the right to be treated with dignity, respect, and love," he added.

According to Dr Sopian, the aim of this year's Children's Day celebration is to respect and recognise children by honouring their rights in accordance with the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

Dr Sopian said the most critical needs of children would be for them to be protected from all forms of neglect, abuse, violence, and exploitation, and for them to be provided with guidance to

avoid misbehaviour and prevent them from committing criminal acts, in line with the UNCRC.

"This year's objective is to encourage the participation of children in healthy and beneficial activities, and for us to play a role in helping the government deal with the country's current issues.

"It also aims to stimulate children to empower them to become sustainable human capital in a comprehensive capacity as well as enrich their talents, ideas and strengthen their identity," he said.

The celebration will also include the presentation of awards to children who have shown extraordinary traits or achievements in the community, namely the Hang Tuah Medal Award and the Gemilang Children Awards.

"The children's interactive activity is based on the concept of ambition. It is a medium which allows children to express their hopes and dreams, while raising the awareness of the community and nation to provide the support and related resources in realising them," he said.

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TAJUK :	INCLUSIVE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CAN HELP BOOST NATION'S SUCCESS - DEPUTY PREMIER		
HARI :	ISNIN	AKHBAR :	THE BORNEO POST
TARIKH :	20 NOV 2023	M/SURAT :	02
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Inclusive early childhood education can help boost nation's success — Deputy Premier

KUCHING: The Sarawak government places great emphasis on early childhood through its commitment of providing inclusive and quality early education to Sarawakian children, says Deputy Premier Datuk Amar Awang Tengah Ali Hasan.

According to him, this objective is as stated under the United Nations (UN) Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4, which is to ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

He stresses that embracing inclusivity in early childhood education is not only a moral imperative, but also a strategic investment in the long-term success and well-being of a nation.

"Every child has the right to access high-quality education and experience a sense of belonging in society. They should be given the chance to reach their full potential, regardless of their background, circumstances, or disabilities.

"Inclusion happens when children are viewed and regarded as capable and valued contributors, as opposed to having deficits that need to be fixed or rectified," he said when officiating at the closing ceremony of the Sarawak Preschool International



Awang Tengah, flanked by Fatimah (sixth right) and Mohamad Razi, together with Dayang Morliah (fifth right), join Adi Badiozaman (third left) and Rosey (fourth right) in a group photo with the award recipients and Sarawakian national para-athletes Nur Syaiful (front, left) and Bonnie.

Convention 2023 here yesterday.

Awang Tengah also pointed out that the foundation of inclusive practices lay in the knowledge, understanding, and skills of early childhood educators and caregivers to understand and address the diverse needs of the children effectively, while ongoing training would ensure that the teachers would be equipped with the latest information, knowledge and skills in dealing with special-

needs children.

"Inclusive education thrives in an environment where collaboration is not just encouraged, but embedded in the culture as well.

"Regular communication and collaboration among teachers, special education professionals, support staff and parents can create a holistic support system that addresses the comprehensive needs of each child," he said.

The Deputy Premier also

regarded inclusivity as a collaborative effort involving not only educators, but also families and the broader community.

"Establishing strong partnerships with parents, guardians and community members can create a strong support network that enhances the overall well-being and development of each child," he added.

At the same time, Awang Tengah said inclusive practices

should extend beyond academic achievement as they encompass social development, skills and talents.

"Just by witnessing the talents of our special needs children today, we believe that with proper support, motivation and guidance, our special needs children can be the shining stars and able to be successful and lead a dignified life.

"Thus, a holistic approach of inclusivity should promote opportunities for positive peer interactions, group activities, and fostering a culture of acceptance and understanding to contribute to a supportive social environment for all children."

Awang Tengah also commended the Ministry of Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development for holding the convention and bringing in local and international speakers to share their knowledge and experience under the theme 'Supporting Inclusive Practices in Early Childhood Settings'.

"I strongly believe that what the participants have gathered for the past two days will surely enhance their knowledge and broaden their perspectives with regard to early childhood and inclusivity.

"Educators, caregivers and parents must be involved and engaged in training, courses or

workshops not only to enhance their knowledge and skills, but most importantly to share and exchange ideas and establish a network to support them in raising special needs children," he said.

At the ceremony, Awang Tengah presented three awards: the 'Quality Taska Award 2023' which went to Taska SeDidik Kompleks Kebajikan Dalat; 'Quality Kindergarten Award 2023' to Tadika SeDidik Kampung Tunku Abdul Rahman Miri; and the 'Innovation and Creativity Special Award 2023' to Tabika Kemas PPAK Kampung Jebungan Mukah.

He also presented tokens of appreciation to Sarawakian national para-athletes Bonnie Bunyau Gustin and Muhammad Nur Syaiful Zulkafli.

Among those present were Awang Tengah's wife Dato Dayang Morliah Awang Daud; Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development Minister Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah and her husband Dato Dr Adi Badiozaman Tuah; Deputy Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development ministers Datuk Rosey Yunus and Datuk Mohamad Razi Sitam; Opar assemblyman Billy Sujang; and Consul-General of the Republic of Indonesia in Kuching, Raden Sigit Witjaksono.



TAJUK : MBKS: 140 ENTRIES FOR WOLRD CHILDREN'S DAY POSTER DESIGN CONTEST

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

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Wee (centre) and MBKS councillors pose for a group photo with the top contestants of Category 2.

MBKS: 140 entries for World Children's Day poster design contest

Sam Chua

KUCHING: Over 140 submissions have been received for the poster design competition, organised by Kuching South City Council (MBKS) in conjunction of the World Children's Day.

A total of 27 primary schools under the council's jurisdiction participated in the competition, which ran from Nov 6 to 16.

The competition was divided into Category 1 for those aged between seven and nine, and Category 2 for those aged between 10 and 12.

A prize-giving ceremony was held at MBKS headquarters lobby yesterday, attended by Kuching South Mayor Datuk Wee Hong Seng.

In his speech, Wee said the theme for the competition was 'What Are Child Rights - In Respect of Children's Views' to signify the championing of children's rights and wellbeing.

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were not merely artistic expressions. They were powerful declarations reflecting the dreams, aspirations and desires of our future leaders," he added.

The winners of both categories take home a cash prize of RM250 each, while the first and second runners-up received RM200 and RM150, respectively.

The top three contestants of both categories also received a trophy and a certificate each.

There were 25 consolation prizes for each category with each recipient receiving RM30, as well as a trophy and a certificate.

Category 1 was won by Emmy Liew En Yu from SJK Stampin, while Caren Chong Xiao Xuan

from SJK Bintawa was the first runner-up, and Lim Zhen Xian from SJK Chung Hua No 3, the second runner-up.

Krystal Lee Ruo Xuen from SJK Chung Hua No 6 was named as a special award recipient.

Lionel Chen Lik Yong from SJK Chung Hua No 5 was named winner of Category 2, with Odam Sim Jia Jiang and Christabelle Daphnee Lee Xuan - both from SJK Chung Hua No 3 - the first and second runners-up, respectively.

The poster design competition underscored MBKS' commitment to highlighting the voices and advocating the rights of children in the community.



TAJUK : NO SHAME FOR MEN TO REPORT HARASSMENT

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

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ZONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

No shame for men to report harassment

Male victims of sexual harassment should be brave to file report for authorities to take action, says Nancy

JOHOR BAHRU: Men who are victims of sexual harassment should be brave enough to come forward to report the matter as this will facilitate the authorities to address the crime, said Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Nancy.

She said many do not do so out of shame, and attributed this to the low level of awareness on the matter and fear of repercussions considering that the perpetrators of sexual harassment at work often involve their superiors.

"Out of all complaints about sexual harassment, only 10 per cent involve male victims. We know that not many of the victims lodge police reports, but on the ministry's side, the One-Stop Social Support Centre (PSSS) receives many of these complaints.

"Therefore, we encourage men to be braver and come forward to make complaints, including children and especially school students," she told a media conference after opening the anti-sexual harassment advocacy roadshow programme here yesterday.

Also present was the Johor Women, Family and Community Development Committee chairman Khairin-Nisa Ismail @ Md On.

Nancy said a total of 477 cases of sexual harassment were reported last year with 90 per cent of the complaints from women.

Therefore, she hoped that the establishment of the Anti-Sexual Harassment Tribunal would facilitate victims to lodge complaints, thereby improving the legal system and also enabling the relevant quarters to handle complaints quickly, easily and at minimal cost.

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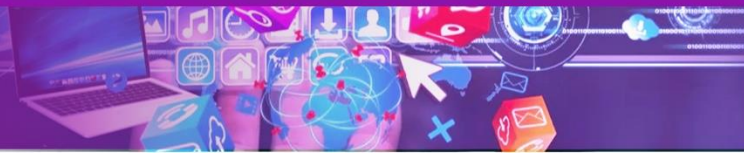
is based in Putrajaya, but I will recommend that representatives from Sabah and Sarawak be involved to facilitate the receipt of complaints from both states.

"Through this tribunal, action can be taken from a civil point of view, so they can claim for compensation," she added.

On Oct 10, the Public Service Department approved the appointment of tribunal members related to the Anti-Sexual Harassment Act 2022.

Regarding the anti-sexual harassment advocacy programme, Nancy said it aims to make the community more aware of the issue of sexual harassment so as not to normalise the crime in the community.

Johor is the last destination for the programme this year involving an attendance of 1,300 participants, she added. — Bernama



TAJUK : NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DAY THIS YEAR TO FOCUS ON TALENT

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : THE STAR

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 07

STONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

National Children's Day this year to focus on talent

KUALA LUMPUR: Every child is talented and special in their own way. Even if they are different, it can be the basis to guiding and moulding them at a young age – to shape their identity as they grow and develop into adults.

This year's National Children's Day celebration, themed 'Our Rights, Our Future', will focus on the development of talent among the nation's younger generations.

The celebration will be held today at Holiday Villa Johor Baru and will be launched by Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri.

Director of the Child Development Department at the Social Welfare Department, Dr Sopian

Brahim, said children were valuable national assets in determining the direction and future of Malaysia – and therefore their roles should be formed at a young age.

"Every child is unique and talented, with diverse individual skills, intelligence, development and growth. They are like jewels that need polishing as important assets towards shaping the country's future," he told Bernama here recently.

Sopian said children needed to be celebrated and developed in the best possible way to become successful adults who were able to contribute to the country in various fields.

In line with the theme, he said, this year's celebration sought to

acknowledge, promote and celebrate the rights of children, which must be translated into effective action and ultimately the foundation to provide a better life for all children.

The theme emphasised the importance of providing children with essential tools and resources needed to achieve their potential, thereby enabling them to become productive and responsible members of society, he added.

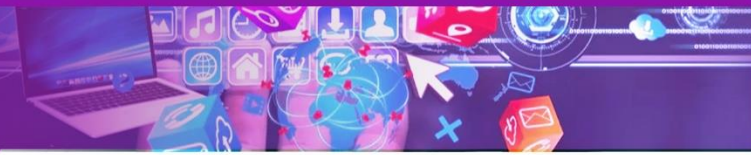
According to Sopian, the aim of this year's Children's Day celebration was to respect and recognise children by honouring their rights in accordance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

Sopian said the most critical

needs of children must be protected from all forms of neglect, abuse, violence and exploitation, and to be provided with guidance to avoid misbehaviour and prevent them from committing criminal acts.

The celebration will also include the presentation of awards to children who have shown extraordinary traits or achievements in the community, namely the Hang Tuah Medal Award and the Gemilang Children Awards.

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TAJUK : 83 STILL AT PERAK FLOOD RELIEF CENTRES

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : THE SUN DAILY

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 06

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

83 still at Perak flood relief centres

IPOH: The number of flood evacuees in Perak who are still at the temporary relief centres (PPS) in Kerian and Kinta dropped to 83 yesterday from 84 on Saturday night.

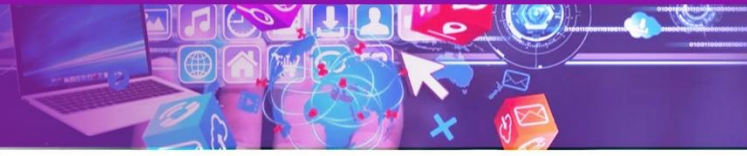
The State Disaster Management Committee Secretariat said there are only eight members of one family still at the PPS in Dewan Orang Ramai Taman Meru 2A.

"In Kerian, the number of flood evacuees remains the same, with 18 people from three families at the SK Changkat Lobak PPS and 57 people from 19 families at the PPS at SK Alor Pongsu."

Meanwhile, the Perak Public Works Department said the FT 147 Jalan Selama route in Kerian is still closed to all vehicles and motorists are advised to use an alternative road on the A111 Jalan Pintasan Alor Pongsu-Bukit Merah.

In Batang Padang, only one lane of the FT 1152 Felda Trolak Selatan route is open.

"The route on FT 001 Jalan Ipoh-Tanjung Malim has only one lane open to all vehicles to facilitate installation of a traffic management plan following a landslide there," the department said. – Bernama



TAJUK : CHILDREN'S DAY TO FOCUS ON TALENT DEVELOPMENT

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : THE SUN DAILY

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 05

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Children's Day to focus on talent development

KUALA LUMPUR: Every child is talented and special in their own way and even if they are different, it can be the basis to guide them while young in order to shape their identity as they grow and develop into adults.

Launched by Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri in Johor Bahru today, this year's National Children's Day celebration, themed "Our Rights, Our Future", will focus on the development of talent among the nation's successive generations.

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○ Celebration to include presentation of awards for extraordinary traits, achievements in community: Expert

Sopian said children need to be celebrated and developed in the best possible way to become successful adults who are able to contribute to the country in various fields.

He also said in line with the theme of this year's celebration, which is to recognise, promote and celebrate the rights of children, efforts must be translated into effective action and ultimately made the foundation to provide a better life for all children.

He added that the theme emphasises the importance of providing children with essential tools and resources needed to achieve their potential, enabling them to become productive and responsible members of society.

"It also stresses the importance

of creating a safe and secure environment for children to grow and develop. They have the right to be treated with dignity, respect and love."

According to him, the aim of this year's Children's Day celebration is to respect and recognise children by honouring their rights in accordance with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

Sopian said the most critical needs of children are to be protected from all forms of neglect, abuse, violence and exploitation and to be provided with guidance to avoid misbehaviour and prevent them from committing criminal acts, in line with UNCRC.

"This year's objective is to encourage the participation of children in healthy and beneficial

activities, and for us to play a role in helping the government deal with the country's current issues.

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TAJUK : PLAY BIGGER ROLE IN SEX EDUCATION, GOVT URGED

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : THE SUN DAILY

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 06

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWK M

Play bigger role in **sex** education, govt urged

○ It is worrying that teens as young as 13 already sexually active, says action group chairman

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PETALING JAYA: Parent Action Group for Education Malaysia chairman Datin Noor Azimah Abdul Rahim has called on the Education Ministry to play a bigger role in educating teenagers on sex.

"This is an important subject matter for teenagers and their parents. As role models, parents and guardians have an important part to play in guiding and supporting their children."

Noor Azimah was commenting on an Oct 30 statement by Education Minister Fadhlina Sidek that a total of 913 teenagers, aged 13 to 17, tested positive for sexually transmitted diseases (STD).

She said the statement was worrying as children as young as 13 are already sexually active.

"These youngsters are engaging in sexual activities without understanding the consequences.

"It is even more worrying that many of them

could be unknowingly subjected to sexual violence and sexual grooming."

Noor Azimah said a major problem stems from schools providing insufficient resources and effective sex education teaching methods to teachers.

"Teachers have difficulty imparting the right knowledge to students as they lack the knowledge and skills to do so.

"Many of them are also uncomfortable at teaching sex education as it is still viewed as a sensitive topic."

Noor Azimah said the Education Ministry should review the Reproductive Health and Social Education modules to provide a complete and comprehensive sex education to students.

"Much of the contents of the module is about abstinence and the body's reproductive function.

"It discourages sex by instilling fear of unplanned pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases.

"Sex education should not only cover basic topics such as the reproductive system, puberty and STD but also deeper issues such as relationships and gender roles."

The Education Ministry can also work with NGOs in providing sex education and sexual health information to teenagers, she said.

"By addressing topics such as sexual health, relationships, consent and contraception, these NGOs often fill the gap left by schools.

"Schools can also invite NGOs to conduct programmes and workshops in schools."

Noor Azimah said another major challenge is that parents still see the topic of sex education as a taboo.

"Parents play a big role in educating their children.

"However, they find it challenging to talk about such complex subjects and shy away from it.

"The only information that most parents are willing to talk about is limited to experiencing puberty."

She advised parents to be open to having a dialogue with their children when they start asking questions about sex.

"Parents shouldn't shy away when their children start asking questions about sex as they play a significant role in shaping their children's mindset.

"Parents should be informed and engaged in their children's sex education so that they may be less doubtful and more supportive of the subject.

"This would help their children to make better choices and decisions regarding their sexual activities."

Noor Azimah said the ministry can also focus on utilising media as a medium for providing sex education.

"In this digital day and age where social media is the main source of information for teenagers, it would be good to have short videos, such as TikTok-style public service announcements on comprehensive sex education."

The Education Ministry did not reply to questions posed by *theSun*.



TAJUK : REPORT SEXUAL HARASSMENT, MALE VICTIMS URGED

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : THE SUN DAILY

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 02

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

Report **sexual harassment**, male victims urged

JOHOR BAHRU: Men who are victims of sexual harassment should report the matter to help authorities address such crimes, said Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri.

She said they should not feel ashamed and attributed such response to low awareness on the matter and fear of its implications, as perpetrators of sexual harassment in the workplace often involves the victims' superiors.

"Of all the complaints on sexual harassment, only 10% involved male victims. We are aware that not many of the victims have lodged police reports, but the ministry's One-Stop Social Support Centre has received many complaints on

○ Reluctance to lodge complaints may be due to embarrassment, low awareness or fear of implications: Minister

the matter.

"We encourage men to lodge their complaints. Children and school students are also encouraged to come forward," she said after opening the anti-sexual harassment advocacy roadshow programme here yesterday.

Also present at the event was the Johor Women, Family and Community Development Committee chairman Khairin-Nisa Ismail @ Md On.

Nancy said a total of 477 cases of sexual harassment were reported last year, with 90% of the complaints from women.

She hoped that the establishment of the Anti-Sexual Harassment Tribunal would facilitate victims to lodge complaints to enable relevant quarters to handle complaints quickly, easily and at minimal cost.

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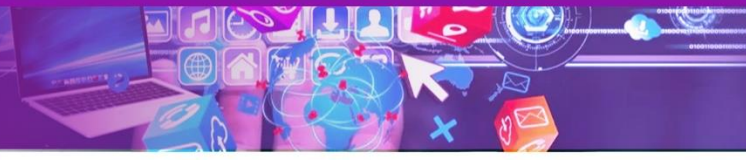
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Nancy said the anti-sexual harassment advocacy programme aims to create awareness among the community.

Johor was the last destination for this year's programme and was attended by about 1,300 participants, she added.



TAJUK : HARI KANAK-KANAK 2023 RAI BAKAT GENERASI PELAPIS NEGARA

HARI : ISNIN

AKHBAR : UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)

TARIKH : 20 NOV 2023

M/SURAT : 12

STONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWK

Hari Kanak-Kanak 2023 rai bakat generasi pelapis negara

HKK juga bertujuan memberi penghormatan dan pengiktirafan kepada kanak-kanak dengan meraikan hak mereka

KUALA LUMPUR: Setiap kanak-kanak mempunyai bakat serta keistimewaan tersendiri, malah kelebihan berbeza-beza yang ada pada setiap insan perlu digilap dan dicorakkan pada usia muda bagi membentuk jati diri insaniah apabila meningkat dewasa.

Bagi meraikan keunikan dan menyuburkan kepelbagaian bakat dalam kalangan golongan berkenaan, sambutan Hari Kanak-Kanak Kebangsaan (HKK) 2023 yang bertemakan 'Hak Kami, Masa Depan Kami' akan memfokuskan kepada perkembangan bakat dalam kalangan generasi pelapis negara.

HKK 2023 peringkat kebangsaan akan disambut hari ini (20 Nov) di Holiday Villa Johor Bahru City Centre, Johor dengan perasmian oleh Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat

“Setiap kanak-kanak mempunyai keunikan, bakat, kemahiran, kecerdasan, perkembangan dan pertumbuhan yang pelbagai dan berbeza. Mereka ibarat permata yang perlu digilap dan merupakan aset penting dalam mencorakkan masa depan negara.”

Dr Sopian Brahim
Pegawai Jabatan Pembangunan Kanak-Kanak JKM

Dato Sri Nancy Shukri.

Pengarah Jabatan Pembangunan Kanak-Kanak Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) Dr Sopian Brahim berkata, kanak-kanak adalah aset negara yang amat berharga dalam menentukan hala tuju dan masa depan Malaysia, sehubungan itu peranan mereka hendaklah dibentuk ketika usia muda.

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punyai keunikan, bakat, kemahiran, kecerdasan, perkembangan dan pertumbuhan yang pelbagai dan berbeza. Mereka ibarat permata yang perlu digilap dan merupakan aset penting dalam mencorakkan masa depan negara,” katanya kepada Bernama di sini baru-baru ini.

Beliau berkata kanak-kanak perlu diraikan dan

dicorakkan dengan sebaiknya supaya mereka menjadi golongan dewasa yang mampu menyumbang kepada negara dalam pelbagai bidang.

Mengulas mengenai sambutan itu, Sopian berkata bertepatan dengan tema, ia menjadi manifestasi untuk memperaku, mempromosi dan meraikan hak kanak-kanak yang perlu diterjemahkan dalam bentuk tindakan berkesan dan akhirnya menjadi paksi untuk kehidupan kanak-kanak yang lebih sejahtera.

Tema itu katanya, menekankan kepentingan menyediakan kanak-kanak dengan alat dan sumber yang diperlukan untuk mencapai potensi diri bagi membolehkan mereka menjadi anggota masyarakat yang produktif dan bertanggungjawab.

“Ia juga menekankan kepentingan mewujudkan persekitaran yang selamat dan

terjamin untuk kanak-kanak membesar dan berkembang. Kanak-kanak mempunyai hak untuk dilayan dengan maruah, hormat dan kasih sayang,” katanya.

Menurut Sopian sambutan HKK juga bertujuan memberi penghormatan dan pengiktirafan kepada kanak-kanak dengan meraikan hak mereka selaras dengan Konvensyen Mengenai Hak Kanak-Kanak (CRC).

Beliau berkata keperluan utama dan penting bagi kanak-kanak adalah melindungi mereka daripada semua bentuk pengabaian, penderaan, keganasan dan eksploitasi serta memberi bimbingan bagi mengekang salah laku serta perbuatan jenayah seiring dengan Hak Kanak-Kanak di bawah CRC.

“Objektif sambutan tahun ini adalah untuk menggalakkan penyertaan kanak-kanak dalam aktiviti sihat dan

bermanfaat serta memainkan peranan dalam membantu kerajaan menangani isu-isu semasa negara.

“Selain itu, memberi rangsangan kepada kanak-kanak untuk memperkasakan modal insan yang mampan dalam kapasiti menyeluruh dan memperkaya bakat, idea dan memperkukuh nilai jati diri mereka,” katanya.

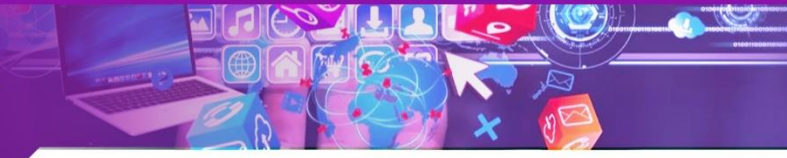
Sambutan HKK 2023 juga bakal menyaksikan penyampaian anugerah kepada kanak-kanak yang menunjukkan keistimewaan atau pencapaian luar biasa dalam kalangan masyarakat menerusi Anugerah Pingat Hang Tuah, Anugerah Kanak-Kanak Gemilang (Sukan), Anugerah Kanak-Kanak Gemilang (Orang Kurang Upaya) dan Anugerah Kanak-Kanak Gemilang (Kebudayaan dan Kesenian).

Selain itu, pelbagai acara dan aktiviti bakal dianjurkan

kan pada hari sambutan itu antaranya persembahan, aktiviti kanak-kanak, taklimat, penyampaian anugerah dan perasmian.

“Aktiviti interaktif kanak-kanak berkonsepkan cita-cita dipilih sebagai medium untuk mengekspresikan setiap harapan mereka dan pada masa sama, memberi kesedaran kepada masyarakat dan negara untuk menyediakan sokongan dan sumber berkaitan ke arah merealisasikan harapan kanak-kanak,” katanya.

Sambutan Hari Kanak-Kanak dianjurkan pertama kali oleh International Union For Child Welfare pada 1953 dan diiktiraf Tabung Kanak-Kanak Pertubuhan Bangsa-Bangsa Bersatu (UNICEF) pada 1954, manakala di Malaysia sambutan Hari Kanak-Kanak diraikan pada mana-mana hari Sabtu dalam bulan Oktober setiap tahun. — Bernama



TAJUK :	KERAJAAN TUNJUK KOMITMEN JITU PASTIKAN KANAK-KANAK DAPAT PENDIDIKAN AWAL INKLUSIF, BERKUALITI		
HARI :	ISNIN	AKHBAR :	UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)
TARIKH :	20 NOV 2023	M/SURAT :	02
TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Kerajaan tunjuk komitmen jitu pastikan kanak-kanak dapat pendidikan awal inklusif, berkualiti

KUCHING: Kerajaan Sarawak menunjukkan komitmen jitu untuk semua kanak-kanak mendapat akses kepada pendidikan awal yang inklusif dan berkualiti.

Demikian kata Timbalan Premier Sarawak Datuk Amar Awang Tengah Ali Hasan sambil menambah, ia bertepatan dengan Matlamat Pembangunan Lestari (SDG) 4 Pertubuhan Bangsa-Bangsa Bersatu (PBB).

“Matlamat Pembangunan Lestari SDG 4 PBB iaitu memastikan pendidikan berkualiti inklusif dan saksama serta menggalakkan peluang pembelajaran sepanjang hayat untuk semua.

“Malahan penerimaan ketenterangan dalam pendidikan awalkanak-kanak bukan sahaja satu kemestian moral tetapi juga pelaburan strategik dalam kejayaan jangka panjang dan kesejahteraan sesebuah negara,” katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian ketika merasmikan Majlis Penutupan Konvensyen Antarabangsa Prasekolah Sarawak 2023 yang diadakan di sebuah hotel di sini semalam.

Awang Tengah bahkan menjelaskan bahawa setiap kanak-kanak mempunyai hak untuk mengakses pendidikan berkualiti tinggi dan sesungguhnya merasakan semangat kekitaan dalam masyarakat.

“Mereka harus diberi peluang untuk mencapai potensi penuh mereka, tanpa mengira latar belakang, keadaan atau ketidakupayaan mereka.

“Penyertaan berlaku apabila kanak-kanak dilihat dan dianggap sebagai penyumbang yang berkebolehan dan dihargai berbanding mempunyai defisit yang perlu diperbaiki atau diperbetulkan,” tambahnya.

Beliau turut dipetik menegaskan bahawa asas amalan inklusif terletak pada pengetahuan, pemahaman dan kema-

hiran pendidik dan penjaga awal kanak-kanak untuk memahami dan menangani pelbagai keperluan kanak-kanak ini.

Selain menyediakan latihan berterusan, dipastikan juga guru dilengkapi dengan maklumat terkini, pengetahuan dan kemahiran dalam menangani kanak-kanak berkeperluan khas.

Beliau juga berkata keterangkuman adalah usaha kolaboratif yang melibatkan bukan sahaja pendidik tetapi juga keluarga dan masyarakat.

“Mewujudkan perkongsian yang kukuh dengan ibu bapa, penjaga dan ahli komuniti mewujudkan rangkaian sokongan yang lebih kukuh bagi meningkatkan kesejahteraan dan perkembangan keseluruhan kanak-kanak,” tegasnya.

Pada masa yang sama, beliau berkata amalan inklusif melangkaui pencapaian akademik kerana ia merangkumi pembangunan sosial, kemahiran

dan bakat.

Awang Tengah turut memuji Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti (KWPK) kerana menganjurkan konvensyen tersebut.

Konvensyen tersebut berjaya menghimpunkan penceramah tempatan dan antarabangsa berkongsi pengetahuan dan pengalaman mereka di bawah tema ‘Menyokong Amalan Inklusif Dalam Tetapan Awal Kanak-Kanak’.

Pada majlis itu, Awang Tengah telah menyampaikan tiga anugerah iaitu Anugerah Taska Kualiti 2023 yang menjadi milik Taska SeDidik Kompleks Kebajikan Dalat; Anugerah Tadika Berkualiti 2023 kepada Tadika SeDidik Kampung Tunku Abdul Rahman Miri dan Anugerah Khas Inovasi dan Kreativiti 2023 kepada Tabika KEMAS PPAK Kampung Jebungan Mukah.



TAJUK :	KWPK PASTIKAN KANAK-KANAK DIBERI PELUANG UNTUK CAPAI POTENSI PENUH		
HARI :	ISNIN	AKHBAR :	UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)
TARIKH :	20 NOV 2023	M/SURAT :	02
TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

KWPK pastikan kanak-kanak diberi peluang untuk capai potensi penuh

KUCHING: Konvensyen Antarabangsa Prasekolah Sarawak (SPIC) 2023 memperjuangkan 'Menyokong Amalan Inklusif Dalam Tetapan Awal Kanak-Kanak'.

Perkara tersebut ditekankan Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti (KWPK) Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah ketika berucap pada Majlis Penutupan Konvensyen Antarabangsa Prasekolah Sarawak (SPIC) 2023.

"Keterangkuman adalah prinsip asas yang terletak di tengah-tengah nilai masyarakat kita.

"Ia mencerminkan komitmen kami untuk memastikan setiap kanak-kanak diberi peluang untuk mencapai potensi penuh mereka, tanpa halangan, berat sebelah atau

diskriminasi.

"Ia adalah komitmen yang seiring dengan visi kita untuk masyarakat yang lebih adil dan saksama dan mari kita mulakan ini dari prasekolah," katanya pada majlis yang diadakan salah sebuah hotel di sini semalam.

Majlis tersebut telah dirasmikan Timbalan Premier Sarawak Datuk Amar Awang Tengah Ali Hasan sambil disaksikan Timbalan Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Masyarakat Datuk Rosey Yunus dan Datuk Mohamad Razi.

Beliau berkata sebagai keterangan melangkaui penerimaan semata-mata; ia memerlukan komitmen untuk memahami, menerima dan meraikan pelbagai latar be-

lakang, kebolehan dan kualiti unik yang dibawa oleh setiap kanak-kanak ke dalam bilik darjah.

"Melalui 100 institusi awal kanak-kanak SeDidik milik kerajaan negeri, kami mengajar anak-anak ini bahasa isyarat dalam lagu kebangsaan dan negeri dan bahasa isyarat asas dalam komunikasi seperti 'terima kasih' dan 'selamat pagi'.

"Ini adalah untuk menerapkan nilai memahami kepelbagaian, keperluan untuk menghormati perbezaan yang akan memberi manfaat kepada kanak-kanak sekarang dan dalam kehidupan dewasa masa depan mereka dan memperkayakan komuniti dan masyarakat kita secara keseluruhan," katanya.

Beliau berkata setakat 31 Oktober lepas, terdapat seramai

129 kanak-kanak berkeperluan khas mendapatkan pendidikan di 49 pusat SeDidiknya di seluruh Sarawak.

"Dasar pintu terbuka SeDidik dan program inklusif kami, memberi peluang kepada kanak-kanak berkeperluan khas ini mendapat akses kepada pendidikan prasekolah," tambahnya.

Beliau juga berkata dalam usaha memastikan kanak-kanak berkeperluan khas diberi intervensi awal, Kementerian telah berjaya menubuhkan dua Pusat Intervensi Awal Sehenti (OSEIC) untuk kanak-kanak berumur enam tahun ke bawah di Kuching dan Dalat, Mukah.

"OSEIC pertama di Kuching pada mulanya dirancang untuk menampung 100 kanak-kanak tetapi disebabkan permintaan

yang besar, ia telah diubah suai untuk menampung 500 kanak-kanak.

"Sehingga 31 Oktober 2023, jumlah kanak-kanak di OSEIC Sarawak, Kuching ialah 473 orang," katanya.

Menyentuh berkaitan pemerksaan OKU dalam sukan beliau menyatakan harapan agar pada tahun depan, 2024 Sarawak akan menjadi tuan rumah Para SUKMA sekali gus merebut kembali kejuaraan Para SUKMA daripada Sabah.

"Kita berhasrat untuk menjadi juara Para SUKMA untuk kali ke-14," katanya sambil mendedahkan Nur Syaiful Zulkafli dan Bonnie Bunyau membawa pulang pingat emas untuk Sarawak pada Sukan Para Asia Ke-14 di Hangzhou, China.