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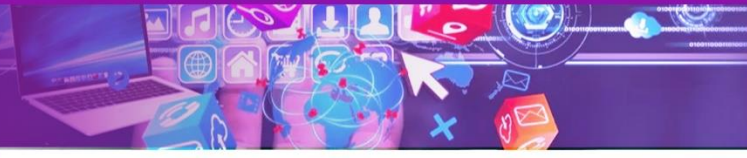
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TAJUK : 'SUSTAINED SUPPORT NEEDED FOR CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE VICTIMS'

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : THE SUN

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SEKTOR : KPWKM

BY NUQMAN ADAM
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PETALING JAYA: Child sexual abuse victims will suffer long-term consequences if they do not receive prompt treatment, said clinical psychologist Evelyn Song.

She was commenting on a March 29 case involving a jobless man who pleaded guilty in the Ipoh Sessions Court to charges of molesting and raping his 19-year-old daughter at a house in Batu Gajah.

The assailant was also charged with using criminal violence against his daughter with the intent to outrage her modesty at the same location at 8:30am on March 20.

Song, who specialises in working with underprivileged and at-risk youths, said it is imperative for child or teenage victims of sexual abuse and offsprings of such victims to receive therapy promptly.

"The support should be sustained and extended to adulthood. Such an approach would address complex and enduring psychological impacts of their (trauma)."

She said neglecting to offer such therapy would subject the victims

'Sustained support needed for child sexual abuse victims'

► Impact from trauma includes challenges in academic pursuits, substance abuse and repressed anger

to a range of problems, with long-lasting repercussions.

"One of the adverse long-term consequences of sexual abuse is the recurrence of re-victimisation incidents in which the victim may be at a heightened risk of being repeatedly victimised in the future.

"This cycle of re-victimisation can perpetuate feelings of vulnerability, powerlessness and trauma, which worsens the psychological impact of

the initial abuse."

Song said victims may also face challenges in their academic pursuits and interpersonal relationships, battle with substance abuse and express anger inappropriately.

"They may also suffer depression, eating disorders, involve themselves in delinquent or criminal activities, participate in risky sexual behaviour or have suicidal thoughts."

Bar Council Child Rights Committee chairperson Kokila Vaani Vadiveloo viewed sexual offences as being among the most heinous of crimes as they cause immense short and long-term harm to the victims.

"Strong punishment for sexual crimes provides justice to the victims and deters repeat offences. It also helps to ensure children, young girls and women in general are safer in society."

Kokila stressed the importance of imposing severe penalties in cases involving sexual offences and said those who rape their children are seemingly not afraid of the law, even after being sentenced to prison.

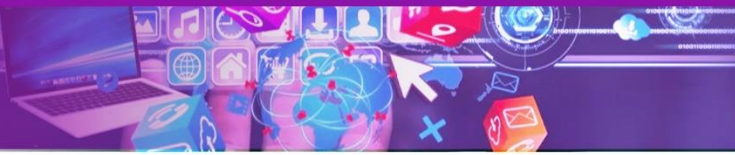
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and Child Investigation Division spokesman said in 2023, police recorded a total of 3,226 reports of sexual harassment and assault cases involving females, while those involving males numbered 135.

He said the statistics also revealed from 2021 to 2023, a total of 4,491 women reported they were raped.

"A total of 18,326 child victims of sexual crimes were reported from 2018 to November 2023. Over 89% or 16,447 of the cases involved rape, physical sexual assault on a child and incest. All the cases involved physical harm.

"More than 50% of all reported sexual crimes investigated by police resulted in prosecution, while the rest are under investigation."



Datuk Seri Dr Noraini Ahmad menjawab soalan di Dewan Negara hari ini. Foto, Jabatan Penerangan Malaysia.

Dewan Negara: Kahwin lambat antara punca kesuburan di Malaysia merosot

By Priscilla #bm, Malaysia April 2, 2024

KUALA LUMPUR, 2 April: Faktor ekonomi yang menyebabkan ramai memilih untuk melambatkan perkahwinan dikenal pasti antara faktor penurunan kadar kesuburan keseluruhan (TFR) di Malaysia.

Timbalan Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat, Datuk Seri Dr Noraini Ahmad berkata selain itu terdapat pasangan suami isteri yang menangguhkan perancangan untuk mendapatkan zuriat dan menghadkan jumlah anak turut menyumbang kepada penurunan TFR.

Jelas beliau, penurunan TFR tidak hanya berlaku Malaysia kerana ia menjadi isu global yang turut membelenggu kebanyakan negara maju dan membangun.

"Pilihan-pilihan sedemikian juga boleh menyumbang kepada peningkatan masalah ketidaksuburan disebabkan oleh faktor umur," katanya pada sesi Pertanyaan – Pertanyaan Bagi Jawab Lisan di Dewan Negara hari ini.

Beliau menjawab pertanyaan Senator Datuk Dr Ahmad Azam Hamzah yang meminta Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat menyatakan faktor kadar kelahiran dan kesuburan di Malaysia menurun pada setiap tahun serta apakah langkah-langkah yang diambil oleh kerajaan bagi mengatasi masalah ini.

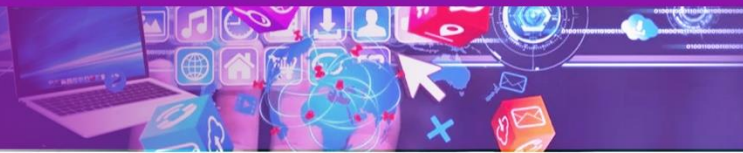
Sementara itu beliau memaklumkan sebagai langkah untuk memperlambatkan penurunan TFR di Malaysia, Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat (KPWKM) melalui agensinya Lembaga Penduduk dan Pembangunan Keluarga Negara (LPPKN), telah menawarkan perkhidmatan subfertiliti sejak 1979.

Jelas beliau rawatan berkenaan ditawarkan di tiga klinik LPPKN pada kos yang berpatutan jika berbanding fasiliti swasta bagi membantu pasangan-pasangan di Malaysia menangani masalah ketidaksuburan.

Dalam perkembangan sama, beliau memaklumkan Pusat Subfertiliti Negara pertama negara yang dibina dengan peruntukan sebanyak RM171 juta di Shah Alam, Selangor dijangka beroperasi pada 2030.

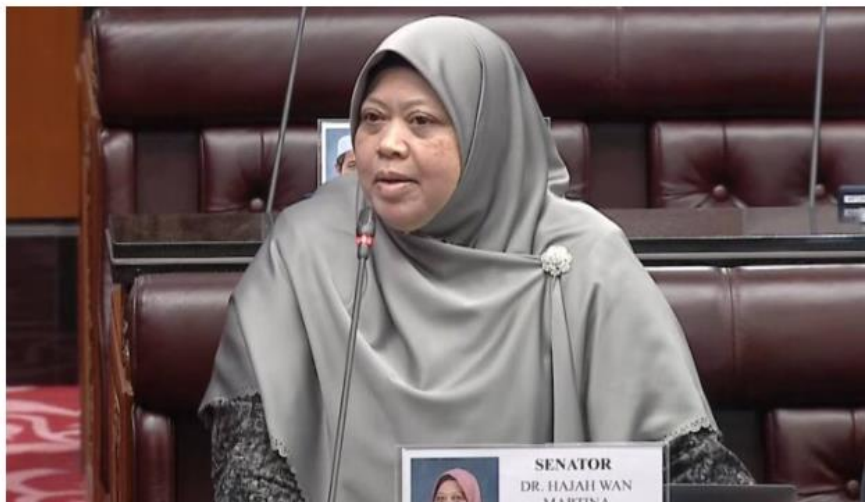
Kata Noraini, ia bakal menjadi pusat kesuburan dan pusat rujukan utama negara yang menyediakan pelbagai kemudahan perkhidmatan rawatan kesuburan yang canggih dengan harga yang berpatutan.

"Kerajaan Madani juga telah memberikan insentif kepada pasangan untuk mendapatkan rawatan kesuburan seperti pengecualian cukai bagi rawatan kesuburan," katanya. -TVS



Kadar kelahiran, kesuburan rakyat Malaysia menurun

April 2, 2024



KUALA LUMPUR: Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat digesa melaksanakan program dan merancang sesuatu untuk mengatasi masalah sebenar kadar kesuburan yang menurun di negara ini.

Senator Dr Wan Martina Wan Yusoff berkata, mengikut kajian menyatakan bahawa punca sebenar kadar kesuburan menurun di Malaysia adalah faktor sosioekonomi dan bukan disebabkan oleh masalah 'subfertility' iaitu kesukaran untuk hamil.

"Memandangkan kita melihat selain daripada faktor sosioekonomi adalah faktor kahwin lambat (punca kadar kesuburan menurun di negara ini). Maksudnya wanita-wanita kita berkahwin di luar usia reproduktif.

"Sepatutnya waktu ataupun umur paling ideal untuk kita mengandung atau melahirkan zuriat adalah pada usia 25 hingga 35 tahun. Dan jadi bagaimana pelan perancangan masa depan pihak kementerian," katanya ketika mengemukakan soalan tambahan pada sesi Pertanyaan-pertanyaan Bagi Jawapan Lisan di Dewan Negara, hari ini.

Timbalan Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat, Datuk Seri Noraini Ahmad berkata, sebenarnya TFR (kadar kesuburan keseluruhan) menurun ini bukan hanya terjadi di Malaysia sahaja.

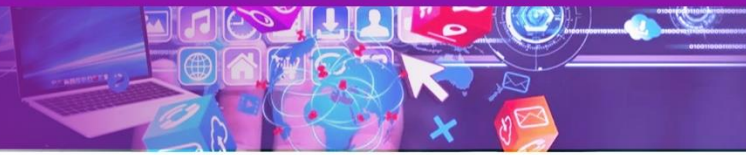
"Tapi trend penurunan kadar kesuburan yang ini adalah di seluruh dunia, fenomena seluruh dunia, dan beberapa penyebab. Apa yang dilaksanakan melalui kementerian adalah program-program intervensi yang cuba dilaksanakan.

"Tapi perlu maklum balas daripada pasangan itu sendiri yang tidak malu untuk ke hadapan untuk berjumpa dengan pusat untuk mendapatkan rawatan itu dengan lebih awal.

"Dan diharapkan juga itu betul juga seperti YB nyatakan penangguhan perkahwinan, kecenderungan untuk mempunyai saiz keluarga yang kecil atas pelbagai sebab seperti masalah kemampuan kewangan juga antara penyebab-penyebabnya jugalah," jelas beliau.

Sebelum itu, beliau menjawab soalan Senator Dato' Dr Ahmad Azam Hamzah yang meminta Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat menyatakan kadar kelahiran dan kesuburan di Malaysia menurun pada setiap tahun.

Juga kadar kelahiran bagi wanita berumur di antara 15 tahun hingga 49 tahun ialah 1.6 peratus, seterusnya faktor yang menyebabkan fenomena ini serta apakah langkah-langkah yang diambil oleh pihak Kerajaan bagi mengatasi masalah ini. - **HARAKAHDAILY**
2/4/2024



TAJUK : WAN AZIZAH PRESENTS 200 FOOD BASKETS TO NEEDY WOMEN, SINGLE MOTHERS IN BANDAR TUN RAZAK

HARI : RABU

TARIKH : 3 APR 2024

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

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SEKTOR : KPWKM

TONE : POSITIF



Wan Azizah (fourth left) poses with some of the food basket recipients, who also each received a copy of the Quran. — Bernama photo

Wan Azizah presents 200 food baskets to needy women, single mothers in Bandar Tun Razak

KUALA LUMPUR: Bandar Tun Razak MP Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail yesterday presented 200 food baskets to needy women and single mothers to aid them in their preparations for Aidilfitri.

Today we distributed 200 food baskets, which include items such as raya cookies and 200 copies of the Quran, to recipients around the Bandar Tun Razak parliamentary constituency. "I would like to thank HRD Corp and Yayasan Restu for having contributed a lot to making this programme a success," the prime minister's wife told reporters during the Tautan Kasih Ramadan Bandar Tun Razak programme at the

Ibnu Khaldun Mosque here.

Also present were HRD Corp chief human resources officer Siti Suryati Kama Asnawi and Yayasan Restu corporate communications director Norashikin Abdul Latiff.

At the event, Dr Wan Azizah also witnessed the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) between the residents' representative council of the Bandar Tun Razak parliamentary constituency and the Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) regarding the cleanliness blueprint and rating of the Kuala Lumpur area.

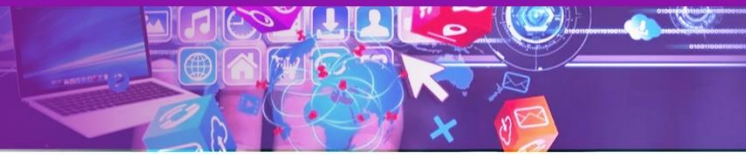
The MoU aims to ensure that each strategic partner is aware of their responsibilities and

collaborates with DBKL to carry out its clean-up activities.

Meanwhile, one of the recipients, Aida Abdullah, 51, expressed her heartfelt gratitude for the assistance, stating that it could somewhat reduce her burdens in preparing for Aidilfitri.

"Alhamdulillah, today I received a food basket containing kitchen items and Raya cookies, which helps me prepare for the upcoming Aidilfitri," she said.

Zulhayati Mamat, 49, hoped that such a programme would continue to be implemented in the future to provide continuous assistance to those in need. — Bernama



TAJUK : SEDIDIK INTEGRATES DIGITAL LITERACY INTO PRIMARY CURRICULAM

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

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SeDidik integrates Digital Literacy into primary curriculum



(From left) Githens, Fatimah and Salina discuss the functions of the tablet during the handover ceremony. – Photo by Roystein Emmor

Kentigern Minggu

KUCHING: The Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development Ministry is integrating the Digital Literacy programme into SeDidik's primary curriculum, said minister Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah.

She said that this integration ensures the education system remains at the forefront of global advancements aligned with the state government's Post Covid-19 Development Strategy 2030.

"Through intensive training sessions, we have equipped 117 SeDidik teachers with essential digital literacy skills in February and March this year, ensuring they can effectively guide and inspire our future generation.

"This initiative is a testament to the forward-thinking vision of SeDidik's management and the dedication of its teachers," she said during the handover ceremony of the KIDS Bits and Bytes Tablets to SeDidik Sarawak, here yesterday.

Fatimah said a total of 61

centres will implement this programme as part of their main curriculum this year, involving 721 six-year-old children.

"We recognise the importance of nurturing digital literacy from an early age. Hence, at the ministry, we emphasise the significance of instilling internet safety and productive digital device usage habits in pre-schoolers.

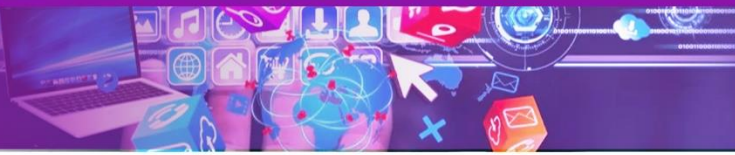
"By starting early, we lay the groundwork for responsible digital citizens of the future."

Fatimah added that an impact assessment initiative was launched to evaluate the outcome and impact of their efforts.

She said by involving all stakeholders, the ministry is ensuring that its initiatives remain relevant and effective.

During the ceremony, Persatuan Kebajikan Rolf Schnyder donated 488 tablets to SeDidik centres in Sarawak.

Also present was the ministry's Early Childhood Division head Salina Bujang and Rolf Schnyder Foundation programme director Andrea G. Githens.



Sarawak emphasises higher childcare centre standards amid social media concerns

By NST Regional - April 2, 2024 @ 3:45pm



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KUCHING: In light of recent social media uproar over child abuse cases, Sarawak is set to reinforce its commitment to rigorous childcare centre oversight, the Sarawak Public Communications Unit reported.

The state's Deputy Minister for Women, Early Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development Datuk Mohammad Razi Sitam said that childcare facilities in the state have maintained a commendable record, and also expressed his firm support for stringent regulations to bolster trust in these establishments.

"At the ministry level, we support and agree with any plans and reviews of regulations that should make those childcare centres more trusted.

"So far, there have been no undesirable incidents occurring in Sarawak," he said during his attendance at the Drive-Thru Ramadan Kasih@RTM event.

Meanwhile, Mohammad Razi also addressed the potential of former Paralympic athletes in coaching roles. He encouraged their participation, noting the specific qualifications required for coaching in the Paralympic and SUKMA categories.

"Even though they have to go through regulated procedures, chances should be given based on their qualifications," he said, underlining the opportunities for these athletes in contributing to sports development.

The Drive-Thru Ramadan Kasih@RTM initiative, held at Radio Televisyen Malaysia (RTM) Kuching, saw the distribution of 5,000 servings of bubur lambuk and bubur pedas to the local community, reflecting the spirit of generosity and community care in Sarawak.



TAJUK :	BANK OWNS UP TO OVERSIGHT IN SOCIAL FUNDING CAMPAIGN'S INFO		
HARI :	RABU	AKHBAR :	THE BORNEO POST
TARIKH :	3 APR 2024	M/SURAT :	03
TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

Bank owns up to oversight in social funding campaign's info

Galileo Petingi

KUCHING: Alliance Bank Malaysia Bhd has officially extended its apology to the Ministry for Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development for the oversight in information about the bank's social funding campaign recently.

Minister Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah accepted the apology from the Alliance Bank Malaysia Bhd delegation, led by group chief executive officer Kelle Kam.

Deputy Minister Datuk Rosey Yunus and Alliance Islamic Bank Bhd chief executive officer Rizal Il-Ehsazan Fadil Azim were also present.

The bank, in an online promotional post for its campaign 'Feed a Child Today, Your Donation Fights Hunger, Nourishes Dreams' last month, said about 84 per cent of Sarawakian children were undernourished – a statement that prompted a response by Fatimah, who called it 'shocking'.

"According to that post, 84 per cent of children in Sarawak are malnourished.

"However, looking at data from the National Health Morbidity Survey (NHMS) conducted by the Institute for Public Health Malaysia in 2016 and 2022, there's a decline in the prevalence of stunting among children, from 23.1 per cent to 19.4 per cent, height-for-age; and wasting



Kam presents a memento to Fatimah, witnessed by Rosey (second right), Rizal (second left) and others. — Photo by Chimon Upon

from 12 per cent to 10.5 per cent, weight-for-height.

"The indicators used were 'stunting' and 'wasting', in terms of percentage – very different (from the bank's campaign headline).

"So for today, Alhamdulillah, we have received a more precise information, compared our data and reached an understanding – we forgive them (Alliance Bank),"

said Fatimah during a press conference held at Bangunan Baitul Makmur II in Petra Jaya here yesterday.

During the discussion between both sides, the bank had proposed to the ministry a number of collaborative arrangements including organising entrepreneurship programmes for women, and also financial literacy programmes

for children based on age groups.

"We welcome more corporate bodies to collaborate with us in holding programmes that would benefit the community," said Fatimah in response.

The meeting also incorporated a simple handing-over of duties between outgoing permanent secretary to the ministry Noriah Ahmad and her successor Datu Felicia Tan.



Sedia bekerjasama dengan Alliance Islamic Bank laksana program bermanfaat kepada rakyat Sarawak

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Fatimah menyampaikan cenderamata kepada Kelle Kam selepas sidang media Kempen Pembiayaan Sosial Bank dan Masa Depan, Kerjasama dengan Alliance Islamic Bank hari ini. -Gambar Chimon Upon

KUCHING: Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti (KPWKK) sedia menjalinkan kerjasama dengan Alliance Islamic Bank bagi melaksanakan program yang memberi manfaat kepada rakyat Sarawak.

Menterinya Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah berkata, kementeriannya sentiasa mengalu-alukan kerjasama badan korporat, agensi dan jabatan kerajaan untuk tujuan tersebut.

"Bagi pihak Kerajaan Sarawak, kita amat mengalu-alukan kerjasama dengan mana-mana badan korporat, agensi dan jabatan.

"Sebab apabila kita bekerjasama sebagai satu pasukan, banyak manfaat akan dapat dikongsikan menerusi program yang kita anjurkan nanti," katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian pada sidang media Kempen Pembiayaan Sosial Bank dan Masa Depan, Kerjasama Dengan Alliance Islamic Bank di Bangunan Baitul Makmur II di sini, hari ini.

Fatimah berkata, kementeriannya amat menghargai niat murni, misalnya Alliance Islamic Bank dalam melaksanakan program yang akan memberi fokus kepada kanak-kanak, ibu tunggal dan petani.

Antara program yang dicadangkan oleh Alliance Islamic Bank seperti Latihan Keusahawanan untuk Wanita dengan kerjasama Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak, Bengkel Literasi Kewangan Untuk Kanak-Kanak mengikut peringkat umur dan program dengan petani dan sekolah untuk kanak-kanak di Kampung Haji Baki dan Kampung Paya Mebi Kuching.

Dalam pada itu, Fatimah berkata, kementeriannya telah menerima permohonan maaf daripada pihak Alliance Islamic Bank berhubung kesalahan fakta yang dikeluarkan pada salah satu iklan mereka.

"Dalam iklan mereka, menyatakan bahawa 84 peratus kanak-kanak Sarawak kekurangan zat makanan.

"Namun kalau kita lihat Tinjauan Kebangsaan Kesihatan dan Morbiditi (NHMS), petunjuk yang digunakan iaitu 'stunting' (terbantut) sebagai indikator khasiat dan satu lagi petunjuk iaitu 'wasting' (kekurangan berat badan), kita dapati bahawa dari segi peratusnya jauh berbeza," ujarnya.

Untuk rekod, setakat 2022, hanya terdapat 19.4 peratus kanak-kanak terbantut dan 10.5 peratus kanak-kanak kurang berat badan berbanding ketinggian mereka di Sarawak.

"Ini adalah dua petunjuk yang menunjukkan situasi semasa di Sarawak. Oleh itu, pihak bank tersebut memohon maaf atas kesilapan fakta mereka yang telah menyebabkan beberapa spekulasi keluar dibuat oleh individu-individu tertentu," katanya.

Hadir sama Timbalan Menteri KPWKK Datuk Rosey Yunus, Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Kumpulan Alliance Bank Malaysia Berhad Kellee Kam dan Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Alliance Islamic Bank Berhad Rizal IL-Ehzan Fadil Azim serta tetamu kehormat lain.



TAJUK : FATIMAH PROMISES COMPLETE ANONYMITY FOR BABY HATCH USERS

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

TARIKH : 3 APR 2024

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TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM



Fatimah fields questions from reporters at the press conference. — Photo by Chimon Upon

Fatimah promises complete anonymity for baby hatch users

KUCHING: Parents who place their newborns in baby hatch facilities will have complete anonymity, said Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah.

The Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development Minister stressed the parents are not required to come forward and present themselves when using the facility.

She pointed out the area around baby hatches are not covered by closed-circuit television (CCTV) cameras to ensure privacy.

"Baby hatch is a support system, initially under our One-Stop Teenage Pregnancy Committee where we want teenage mothers not to abandon their newborns at the roadside that could put them at risk.

"We want to ensure we can save the child and save the parents – hence, the baby hatch was established. As we all know, most of these parents consist of teenage mothers who get pregnant out of wedlock and without the knowledge of their parents.

"The baby hatches provide a safe environment for the newborns, and anonymity to the biological parents. They don't need to present themselves," she told a press conference in Petra Jaya here yesterday.

She said Borneo Medical Centre and KPJ Kuching Specialist Hospital currently provide baby hatch facilities.

She also assured that no legal action would be taken against parents who placed

their newborns in the baby hatches, adding that the babies would receive good care from staff members of the medical facilities.

Fatimah explained the newborns would then be taken to Sarawak General Hospital for observation and monitoring, before being handed over to appointed guardians.

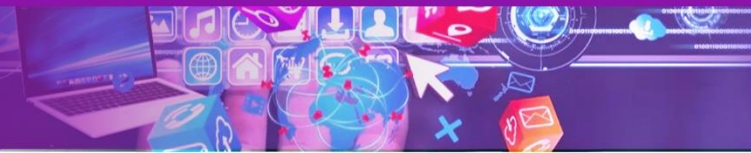
"We have to get the court order first to become the newborn's guardian, and we need to register the child at the National Registration Department," she added.

However, she pointed out that due to insufficient background information such as the names of the newborn's biological parents during registration, the newborn's citizenship status will be classified as 'not determined' or stateless.

"Our role is then to apply for the child's citizenship since the child is under our care, and the process to do this takes time. There are parents out there who are interested in adopting the child, so the burden to apply for citizenship for the child will lie on them.

"I took the risk the other day when I approached a biological mother of a child and gave her my personal contact number if she needs help in getting citizenship for her child. She eventually contacted and came directly to me and said she wanted her child not to become a stateless child.

"Rest assured, the anonymity of the mother is maintained," she added.



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Ministry dedicated to enhancing well-being of postpartum mothers

KUCHING: The Ministry of Women, Early Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development has steadfastly dedicated itself to aiding mothers grappling with postpartum depression symptoms.

Minister Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah said the state government has been providing Maternity Aid (BIB) since 2020 to help restore the well-being of postpartum mothers.

"We offer a support system

through the state initiative by providing cash assistance to ensure they access the necessary services and purchase essential items for their well-being and that of their newborns", she said.

She made this remark after the handover ceremony of KIDS Bits and Bytes tablets to SeDidik Sarawak here yesterday.

Furthermore, Fatimah expressed delight at the addition of professional services at the maternity and newborn care

centre here.

"We see that there is now an increasing number of centres that provide professional support system, addressing not just the physical health of mothers and babies, but also their mental well-being," she said.

In contrast to the past belief that women would naturally recover themselves, postpartum depression is now becoming more recognised, she added.

"We know that there are

some mothers who suffer from depression. If not addressed, the impact could be long term. It involves hormonal imbalances, impacting not only the physical but also the mental and emotional aspects.

"Nowadays, more people understand the importance of addressing it properly. As awareness has increased, we no longer overlook its long-term effects on the mother's mental health if left untreated."



KPWK komited bantu golongan ibu alami kemurungan

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Kerajaan negeri sedia Bantuan Ibu Bersalin sejak 2020 bagi bantu pulih kesejahteraan mereka selepas bersalin



Fatimah ketika bercakap kepada pemberita di pejabatnya hari ini. -Gambar Roystein Emmor

"Inisiatif ini bertujuan membantu ibu-ibu menyesuaikan diri secara kewangan dan mengurangkan tekanan yang berkaitan dengan menyediakan keperluan bayi mereka."

Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah

Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti

Oleh Henrietta Liza

KUCHING: Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti (KPWK) telah lama komited dalam membantu golongan ibu yang mengalami gejala kemurungan selepas bersalin.

Menterinya Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah berkata, kerajaan negeri telah menyediakan Bantuan Ibu Bersalin (BIB) sejak tahun 2020 bagi membantu memulihkan kesejahteraan golongan ibu selepas bersalin.

"Inisiatif ini bertujuan membantu ibu-ibu menyesuaikan diri secara kewangan dan mengurangkan tekanan yang berkaitan dengan menyediakan keperluan bayi mereka.

"Dalam hal yang sama, ia juga bagi membantu mereka mendapatkan perkhidmatan yang diperlukan bagi kesejahteraan diri dan membeli keperluan penting untuk bayi yang baru lahir," katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian ketika ditemui pada Majlis Penyerahan Kids Bits Bytes' Tablet ke SeDidik Sarawak di pejabatnya di Bangunan Baitulmakmur II di sini, hari ini.

Tambahan kepada itu, Fatimah turut menyuarakan rasa gembira dengan penambahan perkhidmatan profesional pusat penjagaan ibu bersalin dan bayi yang baru dilahirkan di sini.

Ujar beliau, dengan itu ia bukan sahaja berupaya membantu golongan ibu dan bayi diberi penjagaan alami dari segi kesejahteraan fizikal mereka tetapi juga kesejahteraan mental.

Kemurungan tegasnya, adalah sesuatu yang serius dan perlu ditangani segera dan jika diabaikan akan membawa kesan jangka panjang.

Bahkan kini kesedaran mengenai kemurungan selepas bersalin lebih tinggi, jelasnya.

Berbeza dengan sebelumnya, yang percaya wanita tersebut bakal pulih dengan sendirinya.

"Sekarang ini, lebih ramai memahami bahawa ia perlu ditangani dengan betul. Ia melibatkan ketidakseimbangan hormon dan memberi kesan tidak hanya kepada aspek fizikal tetapi juga mental dan emosi.

"Jadi, kesedaran telah meningkat dan kita tidak lagi mengabaikannya kerana ia berupaya memberi kesan jangka panjang kepada kesihatan mental ibu jika tidak dirawat," tegas beliau.

Terdahulu, Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat (KPWK) merancang mengadakan kempen khusus bagi meningkatkan kesedaran mengenai bahaya masalah meroyan dalam kalangan ibu baru bersalin.

Menterinya Dato Sri Nancy Shukri berkata, kempen itu akan menyasarkan ahli keluarga terutama suami agar mereka lebih peka dengan perubahan sikap isteri dalam tempoh berpantang.

Menurutnya, kesedaran itu perlu berikutan terdapat kes ibu meroyan yang dilaporkan sehingga menyebabkan kematian bayi mereka sendiri.



Ibu sedang berpantang, budak keluar bersiar seorang diri

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TANGKAP layar video menunjukkan kanak-kanak ditemukan berseorangan diri di Larkin. FOTO Ihsan Pembaca

Johor Bahru: Polis Johor tidak mengenalpasti sebarang unsur penderaan pada seorang kanak-kanak lelaki yang ditemukan berseorangan di bandar raya ini hari ini.

Ketua Polis Daerah Johor Bahru Selatan, Asisten Komisioner Raub Selamat berkata, siasatan mendapati kanak-kanak itu berjalan berseorangan diri tanpa memaklumkan kepada ibunya yang masih menjalani tempoh berpantang selepas 11 hari melahirkan anak ketiga.

Beliau berkata, manakala bapa kanak-kanak lelaki yang berusia 11 tahun itu bekerja di Singapura.

Menurutnya, hasil pemeriksaan fizikal mendapati tubuh kanak-kanak itu tidak memiliki sebarang tanda kecederaan atau penderaan dan tidak berlaku unsur pengabaian oleh penjaga.

Katanya, kanak-kanak itu dipercayai keluar rumah untuk bersiar-siar.

"Kanak-kanak itu diserahkan kepada ibu bapanya selepas dokumen dokumentasi selesai dijalankan.

"Pihak polis mengucapkan terima kasih atas keprihatinan masyarakat hingga kanak-kanak itu ditemukan dalam keadaan selamat serta diserahkan kepada ibu bapa," katanya dalam kenyataan hari ini.

Terdahulu, menerusi video yang tular, kanak-kanak lelaki itu yang ditemukan orang awam tinggal bergelandangan di Larkin.

Mengikut video yang tular di aplikasi WhatsApp, kanak-kanak itu ditemukan dalam keadaan tidak terurus termasuk menggunakan pakaian koyak serta didakwa memiliki kesan lebam.

Malah individu yang merakam video berkenaan juga menyatakan kanak-kanak itu didakwa gagal berkongsi sebarang maklumat berkaitan ibu bapanya mahupun keluarganya.