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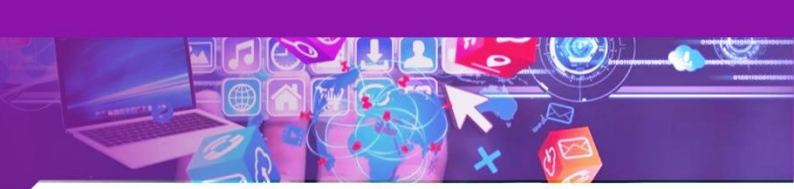
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## Gardenia collaborating in Welfare Department's 'Bengkel Daya', 'Anjung Sinar' initiatives

By Hakim Mahari - January 16, 2024 @ 3:14pm



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SHAH ALAM: The Welfare Department is forging a strategic collaboration with Gardenia Bakery to bolster the marketability of persons with disabilities (PWDs).

Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri said the partnership will be carried out under the 'Bengkel Daya and Anjung Sinar' initiatives which fall under the department's purview.

She said the collaboration will help to enhance the participants' skills and impart technological knowledge in baking and pastry arts.

"By doing so, trainees at Bengkel Daya will benefit from a comprehensive approach to skill enhancement. This will ultimately boost the quality of their products.

"Furthermore, it is of paramount interest for us to create employment opportunities for persons with disabilities and young people under Welfare Department institutions.

"These people are often confronted with challenges when securing employment within the broader job market. These initiatives seek to address the disparity and provide inclusive pathways to meaningful employment," Nancy told a press conference at the Gardenia Factory Tour relaunch.



Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri at the Gardenia Factory Tour relaunch. - BERNAMA PIC

Bengkel Daya is a workshop under the auspices of Welfare Department, catering specifically to persons with disabilities facing challenges in securing employment within the open market.

This workshop serves as a valuable platform offering both training and employment opportunities across various fields, with a special emphasis on areas such as bread and pastry production, aiming to establish a sustainable source of income for PWDs.

Currently, the Welfare Department manages two Bengkel Daya facilities, namely Bengkel Daya Klang and Bengkel Daya Sungai Petani.

In a complementary initiative, Anjung Sinar is a temporary transit centre designed to provide a robust social support system for children transitioning out of Welfare Department institutions.

Nancy said training for persons with disabilities under the Welfare Department should be done carefully and according to the participants' special needs.

"This is because, aside from individuals with physical disabilities, there are those with autism and some have high functioning abilities, while others have very low functioning abilities."

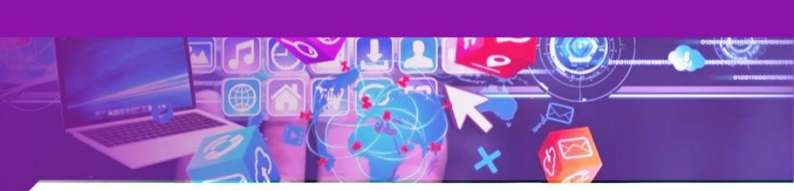
She said without proper care and training, there is a risk of them being exploited by irresponsible parties. She said such special needs participants also need constant companionship.

"Providing them with training for simple jobs, such as organising books, not only gives them a sense of focus, but helps to prevent potential exploitation. If left to wander around without purpose, there's a risk of them being misused.

"Therefore, we aim to offer them employment opportunities, ensuring they have a sense of purpose in their work and become valuable contributors to society who are capable of sustaining themselves."

Nancy said this long-term strategic partnership promises to enhance the #GardeniaCares programme significantly and aligns perfectly with Gardenia's ongoing corporate social responsibility efforts.

"Without a doubt, such a collaboration will shine a brighter light on our ministry's target demographic, addressing their specific needs more effectively."



## Malaysia's shocking gender pay gap

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ON December 16, "MWGF: The Review" aired on Astro Awani, featuring exclusive interviews with Women, Family and Community Development Minister Nancy Shukri, former deputy law and institutional reform minister in the Prime Minister's Department Ramkarpal Singh, academicians and civil society representatives. It set out to assess the country's progress since the pandemic in advancing women's and girls' rights.



The show comprised a series of boardroom-style interviews with guest panellists covering three main areas of discussion – the economic empowerment of women, legislating gender equality and comprehensive sexuality education, gender norms and awareness.

Its main objective was to examine progressive policy actions taken since the first annual Malaysia Women and Girls Forum (MWGF) was launched in 2020, while highlighting existing economic, social and legal gaps that continue to keep Malaysia's women and girls from achieving their full potential.

As highlighted by the guest speakers, over the last three years, Malaysia has taken several positive steps towards women empowerment, including the introduction of landmark legislation against sexual harassment and stalking, the long-awaited introduction of seven-day paternity leave in Peninsular Malaysia, and steady efforts of the Women, Family and Community Development Ministry in holding anti-sexual harassment roadshows in multiple states around Malaysia.

### Alarming increase in gender pay gap

However, on December 13, just days after the production of "MWGF: The Review" concluded, the Statistics Department (DOSM) released shocking data that required a full reevaluation of our understanding of the economic equity of women in Malaysia.

DOSM reported that in 2022, women on average made a total income of only RM42,080, compared with men's RM63,117. In other words, for every RM100 in salaries and wages received by men, women only received RM66.67. This means in 2022, women on average made 33.33% less than men per year. This is a whole third less than men – an appallingly large gender pay gap (GPG).

This is also a significant leap in figures from the year before.

In 2021, DOSM recorded that for every RM100 in salaries and wages received by men, women received RM96.21 – 3.79% less than men, close to parity. Pre-pandemic, for every RM100 a man made in 2019, a woman would make RM94.07, or roughly 5.93% less.

	Year	Male	Female
Estimated Earned income (per year)	2022	RM 63,117	RM 42,080
		For every RM100 salaries and wages received by men, women received RM66.670	
	2021	RM 37,020	RM 35,616
		For every RM100 salaries and wages received by men, women received RM96.21	
	2019	RM 37,296	RM 39,648
		For every RM100 salaries and wages received by men, women received RM94.07	

Source: Statistics Department

Why is there such a large jump in the 2022 GPG? Has there been a methodological change in the calculation of wages? If so, does this mean that all this time, Malaysia's GPG has been far more severe than originally thought? Our data forms the very basis for informed policy action. How can we make meaningful progress in addressing economic equity, and by extension, gender equality, if our metrics of measurement fluctuate so dramatically?

The United Nations estimates the GPG to be about 20% globally, and with Malaysia's latest GPG at 33%, this should set off alarms. The government has expressed its commitment to achieving the UN's sustainable development goals (SDGs) by 2030, but our startlingly high GPG could be a huge setback.

We must prioritise closing this gap – and urgently. Unequal access to economic power leads to unequal access to resources and opportunities for women, thus limiting their agency and potential. Wage inequality also contributes to lower savings and Employees Provident Fund contributions for women, exacerbating female poverty in old age. Without equal economic opportunity, there can be no gender equality.

### Immediate solutions towards gender equality

We can look at New Zealand as an example, as it is in the process of introducing a mandatory pay gap reporting system to reduce wage gaps affecting women and indigenous groups. In the United States, the introduction of the Equal Pay Act 60 years ago led to a 40% improvement in closing the wage gap.

We can also address income inequality by ensuring the burden of unpaid care work is shared more equitably between men and women through the introduction of equal parental leave. This can help keep women in the workforce and reduce career gaps, a major factor driving unequal pay. As it stands, the Malaysian female labour force participation rate (FLFPR) is still only 55.8%, in contrast with men at 81.9%. Targeted government support of female entrepreneurs can help increase their incomes and therefore their economic agency, leading to positive effects on the Malaysian economy as a whole.

The government has set a target of increasing the FLFPR to 60%, and to achieve this, it is vital to bring together every relevant agency and ministry, guided by an economic road map and gender mainstreaming that addresses all gaps, requirements and investments essential to unlock the economic potential of women. This monumental undertaking to ensure women's economic equity cannot be steered by the Women, Family and Community Development Ministry alone; it requires equal stewardship from the Economy Ministry.

### Equal citizenship rights for Malaysian women

From a legal perspective, more can be done to protect the rights of Malaysian women. Our nation can never truly achieve gender equality if women have to fight for rights already enshrined for decades within the constitution for Malaysian men.

As highlighted in "MWGF: The Review", Malaysian mothers with non-Malaysian spouses should have the right to automatically confer citizenship to their overseas-born children – just as Malaysian men with non-Malaysian spouses have always been able to.

It is not a banal legal issue, as it puts to question whether the government of the day wants to maintain the status quo of women as second-class citizens in their own country – thus making it impossible to achieve the 2030 SDGs, not to mention negatively impacting Malaysia's international standing when it comes to being able to speak on human rights issues in other countries.

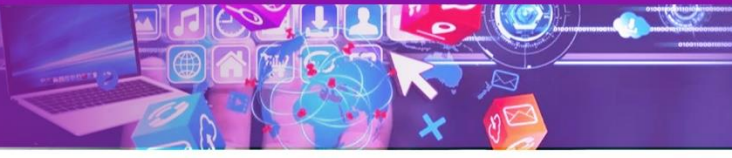
Lumping together the issue of equal citizenship for the overseas-born children of Malaysian mothers with other legal amendments that negatively affect the status of stateless children in Malaysia is bewildering.

The way forward is clear – the Madani government must decouple the equal citizenship law from other amendments on the protection of stateless people's rights, ensuring the former passes on its own. As for the latter, the government should take the time to study costs and benefits on its own terms – acknowledging them as separate from the conversation on Malaysian women's fundamental rights.

We are just six years away from 2030 – the target year for the attainment of the SDGs. Although significant gaps remain, the Malaysian government has demonstrated political will over the last three years in passing key laws that affect the wellbeing of women and girls. Six years is not very long – which is why we need even more targeted and sincere investment by the government and society to ensure Malaysian women are equal citizens who have equal rights to opportunity, wellbeing and dignity. – January 16, 2024.

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## Bantuan mangsa kebakaran Pasar Batu 7 diteruskan

Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) Sarawak meneruskan penyerahan bantuan bencana kepada keluarga mangsa kebakaran di Pasar Batu 7 di Kota Sentosa bagi meringankan beban yang ditanggungnya.

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## Sarawak minister: State records 32pc increase in teenage pregnancy cases in 2023 compared to 2022



Fatimah (back row, centre) in a photo call with members of the OSTPC. — Borneo Post Online pic  
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KUCHING, Jan 16 — Sarawak recorded a total of 2,026 teenage pregnancy cases last year, a 32 per cent increase from the 1,536 cases in 2022, revealed Datuk Seri Fatimah Abdullah.

The women, childhood and community wellbeing development minister however said despite the increase, the state still registered an overall reduction of 40.43 per cent in such cases between 2014 and 2023.

She said Kapit Division registered the highest percentage of teenage pregnancies last year at 13.03 per cent, followed by Sri Aman (9.19 per cent), Sarikei (8.48 per cent), Betong (8.16 per cent), and Serian (8.05 per cent).

In terms of ethnicity, Fatimah said about half of the teenage pregnancies last year were from the Iban community, followed by the Malay community (22.3 per cent), Bidayuh (7.7 per cent) and Chinese (7 per cent).

“Based on statistics, 60.1 per cent of teenage pregnancies reported last year involved those who were not married at the time.

“It was also found that 58.7 per cent of the cases had dropped out of school before becoming pregnant, while 3.2 per cent of them stopped schooling as a result of falling pregnant,” she told a press conference here yesterday.

Fatimah, who earlier chaired a One Stop Teenage Pregnancy Committee (OSTPC) meeting at Wisma Bapa Malaysia, said 95 per cent of teenage pregnancies last year involved those aged 16 and above.

“From experience, even if the victims had gotten married after the pregnancy, usually the marriage would not last long and a lot would end in divorce.

“This would lead to other social issues and the teenagers would also become single mothers,” she added.

According to her, a study by Universiti Malaysia Sarawak found that curiosity, promiscuity, peer pressure, exchange of pornographic videos, substance abuse, family issues, and grooming to be among the contributing factors to teenage pregnancy cases.

In an effort to reduce the number of teenage pregnancies, she said her ministry is planning several initiatives including the Sexual Awareness and Advocacy Programme (KAPS).

The initiatives include a 12-series KAPS for secondary schools; three-series KAPS for primary schools; Social Development Discourse Programme (RPS); OSTPC engagement session with strategic partners; discourse to share research findings on the profile of pregnant teenagers in Sarawak; engagement session with specialist hospitals to increase awareness and publicity for the baby hatch programme; and engagement sessions with community leaders and village chiefs to address the issue of child marriage.

In addition, Fatimah said the ministry provides a location for underage teenagers to see through their pregnancy in a safe and conducive environment at Taman Seri Puteri Kuching, with a total of 31 individuals placed there since 2016.

On the baby-hatch programme, she said a facility is currently available at Borneo Medical Centre here, with another to be located at KPJ Kuching once technical matters are resolved.

“The ministry aims to provide a holistic approach via inter-agency collaborations to ensure teenage mothers are given an opportunity to start a new chapter in their life, and that necessary protection is provided to the baby born,” she said. — Borneo Post Online



## Security and enforcement members in Sarawak to get Raya goodies

SABAH & SARAWAK

Tuesday, 16 Jan 2024

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KUCHING: Sarawak will prepare festive goodies to be distributed to security and enforcement personnel on duty during the Hari Raya celebration in April, says Datuk Seri Fatimah Abdullah.

The State Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Minister said 12,000 boxes would be packed for 11 federal and state agencies in the ministry's annual Sumbangsih Raya programme.

"This gift is a box of love expressing our appreciation, care and prayers for security and enforcement personnel in carrying out their duties, especially at a time when everyone else is on holiday," she said after chairing a committee meeting on the goodies at Wisma Wanita here on Tuesday (Jan 16).

The Sumbangsih Raya programme, which started in 1990 with the Armed Forces and police as recipients, has now been expanded to 11 agencies, including the Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency, Civil Defence Force, Sarawak Security and Enforcement Unit as well as the Fire and Rescue, Prisons, Immigration, Customs and Road Transport departments.

Fatimah said the goodies would be packed at Wisma Wanita on March 13, followed by a symbolic handover by Sarawak Premier Tan Sri Abang Johari Tun Openg in a ceremony scheduled for March 15.

After that, she said, the ministry would visit the agencies involved to foster closer ties with them.

"We have programmes with some of the agencies. For example, we work with the police on programmes to tackle scams, substance abuse and sexual violence against women and children.

"So these visits are also an opportunity for us to exchange views about our programmes," she said.



Exco Pembangunan Wanita Keluarga dan Komuniti Datuk Kalsom Noordin mengadakan sidang akhbar selepas Program Pelaksanaan Pangkalan Data Utama (PADU) anjuran Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Negeri Melaka menganjurkan di Rumah Seri Kenangan Cheng, Melaka. Foto: MR. AZLI

## Berganding bahu kekalkan status sifar miskin tegar



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PAYA RUMPUT 15 Januari – Semua agensi dan pihak yang terlibat disaran agar terus dapat berganding bahu bagi memastikan Melaka terus menjadi negeri sifar miskin tegar.

Exco Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Komuniti negeri Datuk Kalsom Noordin berkata, tanpa komitmen dan kerja keras agensi berkaitan hasrat Kerajaan Negeri sukar dicapai untuk ini tanggungjawab itu semakin berat dalam memastikan status itu dapat dikekalkan.

“Seperti yang diumumkan Ketua Menteri Datuk Seri Utama Ab Rauf Yusoh, Melaka sudah diisytiharkan negeri berstatus Sifar Miskin Tegar jadi untuk itu kita perlu lebih bekerja keras.

“Ini kerana untuk mengekalkan status itu bukanlah perkara mudah tetapi dengan peranan semua pihak saya percaya kita dapat laksanakan selaras dengan hasrat Kerajaan Negeri,” katanya.

Menurutnya, rakyat Melaka amat istimewa apabila kebajikan mereka terutamanya golongan asnaf diberi perhatian dan dijaga dengan baik bagi memastikan mereka ini boleh berjaya.

“Kita di Melaka ini semuanya terkawal termasuklah dari segi kebajikan untuk golongan asnaf. Dengan bantuan Majlis Agama Islam Melaka (MAIM) kita bukan sahaja memberi bantuan tetapi juga sokongan.

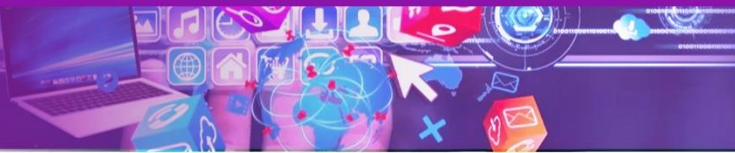
“Akhirnya ramai asnaf kita berjaya keluar dari status itu dan menjadi usahawan. Selain itu mereka yang layak juga kita akan pastikan akan dapat bantuan sepatutnya tanpa ada yang tercicir,” katanya.

Terdahulu, pada Majlis Amanat Tahun Baharu 2024 oleh Ketua Menteri Melaka, Ketua Menteri Datuk Seri Utama Ab Rauf Yusoh mengumumkan

Melaka secara rasmi diisytiharkan mencapai status Sifar Miskin Tegar pada 28 Disember lalu.

Atas kejayaan bermakna itu, Ketua Menteri merakamkan setinggi-tinggi tahniah dan terima kasih kepada semua jabatan serta agensi menjayakan usaha itu.

Kata beliau antara agensi terbabit adalah Pejabat Pembangunan Negeri (ICU) Melaka, Unit Perancang Ekonomi Negeri (UPEN) Melaka, Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) Melaka, Majlis Agama Islam Melaka (MAIM) selain semua Pejabat Daerah dan Tanah.



## Pegawai Daerah di Kedah diminta kenal pasti keluarga miskin

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Raja Muda Kedah Tengku Sarafuddin Badlishah Ibnu Al Aminul Karim Sultan  
Sallehuddin

**KUALA NERANG, 16 Januari** - Pegawai Daerah di negeri Kedah diingatkan agar tidak sekadar merancang pembangunan di daerah masing-masing tetapi perlu juga memikirkan keperluan penduduk miskin yang memerlukan bantuan segera di kawasan mereka.

Sehubungan itu, Raja Muda Kedah Tengku Sarafuddin Badlishah Ibnu Al Aminul Karim Sultan Sallehuddin bertitah supaya kesemua pegawai daerah lebih aktif mendapatkan maklumat dan senarai golongan itu disamping mengenal pasti jenis bantuan yang bersesuaian kepada mereka.

Baginda turut menegaskan agensi lain termasuk pejabat penghulu, lembaga zakat dan Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) perlu memainkan peranan yang sama.

"Saya harap penerima dapat rumah yang lebih selesa boleh hidup dalam keadaan yang lebih selesa sebab apabila kita tengok keadaan mereka seperti ini kita bayangkanlah bagaimana kita nak duduk rumah macam ini, keluarganya macam mana, keadaan tandas, kita akan lihat dan akan memberi bantuan terbaiklah," titah Tengku Sarafuddin Badlishah kepada pemberita selepas pekenan mengadakan lawatan kesebuah rumah kediaman yang daif di kampung yang telah dibaik pulih.

Baginda yang juga Pengerusi Tabung Amanah Sultan Kedah bertitah peruntukan yang disalurkan adalah berterusan bagi memastikan nasib asnaf dan golongan miskin sentiasa dibela.

"Depa (mereka) baiki bilik baru dan tandas baru. Mak baru meninggal dunia, saya kerja kampung sahaja, kami ada empat adik beradil, anak saudara ada lima orang dan Alhamdulillah kepada baginda Raja Muda Kedah yang membantu kami. Saya doakan semoga pemberian yang diberikan dapat digunakan secara baik bagi keselesaan kepada kami sekeluarga," luahan penerima bantuan Amanah Sultan Kedah, Mohd Haikal Othman.

Terdahulu, baginda berkenan menyampaikan sumbangan kepada 55 penduduk asnaf dan melawat Pejabat Pentadbiran Penghulu Mukim Tekai Kiri.



## Cops hunt motorcyclist for sexually harassing pedestrian

Police say the suspect is believed to have been masturbating while talking to the woman.

FMT Reporters - 16 Jan 2024, 1:03pm



*Police say they were alerted to the incident after one of their officers found the video and lodged a report.*

**PETALING JAYA:** Petaling Jaya police are searching for a man they suspect sexually harassed a woman in the Kota Damansara area recently.

Petaling Jaya police chief Fakhruddin Abdul Hamid said they received a police report about the incident yesterday at 4.37pm from one of their criminal investigation officers.

A 46-second video clip uploaded by X user @MALAYSIAVIRALLL showed a man on a motorcycle approaching a woman while she was walking down the street.

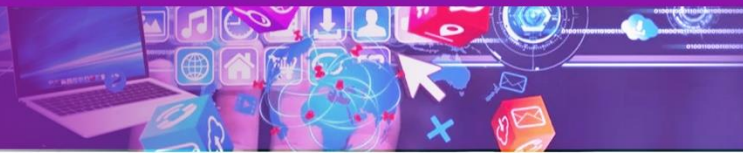
Fakhruddin said the man appeared to be masturbating while trying to engage the woman in conversation.

However, Fakhruddin said the woman had not filed a report.

“We advise the victim to come forward and file a police report to aid the investigation,” he said in a statement.

The case is being investigated for outrage of decency under Section 377D of the Penal Code.

Police also encourage anyone with information on the incident to contact them at 03-7966-2222.



## Reman anggota polis rogol, samun pelajar akan disambung



Ketua Polis Selangor, Datuk Hussein Omar Khan

Doleh MEDIA MULIA 16 Januari 2024, 2:49 pm

AMPANG JAYA: Polis akan menyambung reman dua anggota polis yang dipercayai terlibat merogol dan menyamun penuntut kolej swasta baru-baru ini.

Ketua Polis Selangor, Datuk Hussein Omar Khan berkata, reman ke atas kedua-dua suspek berpangkat konstabel dan lans koperal itu akan disambung esok bagi melengkapkan siasatan kes berkenaan.

“Reman terhadap kedua-dua suspek akan tamat esok (Rabu) dan dijangka disambung,” katanya di sini.

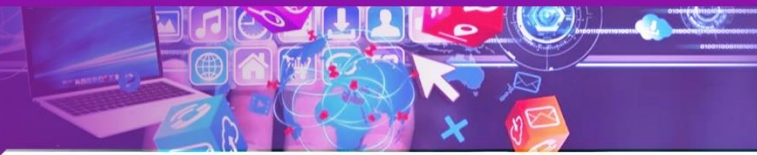
Terdahulu, media melaporkan dua anggota polis berkenaan ditahan kerja selepas disyaki melakukan jenayah samun dan merogol penuntut kolej swasta dalam kejadian di Bukit Ampang View, di sini, 9 Januari lalu.

Pihak polis menerima dua laporan berhubung kejadian itu iaitu satu laporan daripada seorang lelaki tempatan dan satu lagi laporan daripada seorang wanita warga asing. Kedua-dua mangsa berusia lingkungan 18 tahun dan belajar di kolej swasta.

Kejadian itu berlaku ketika kedua-dua pelajar itu berada di dalam kereta di lokasi kejadian dan ditahan oleh dua anggota polis yang lengkap beruniform

Salah seorang anggota polis itu kemudian didakwa dibawa ke sebuah bank untuk mengeluarkan duit yang diminta polis berkenaan manakala mangsa wanita yang ditinggalkan dengan seorang lagi anggota polis didakwa dirogol.

Susulan laporan polis, kedua-dua suspek ditahan sepasukan pegawai dan anggota Bahagian Siasatan Jenayah Ibu Pejabat Polis (IPD) Ampang.- UTUSAN



## Nelayan didakwa rogol sepupu bawah umur

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*Pertuduhan di bawah Seksyen 376(1) Kanun Keseksaan itu membawa hukuman penjara sehingga 20 tahun dan sebatan jika sabit kesalahan.*

**KOTA KINABALU:** Seorang nelayan berusia 36 tahun didakwa di Mahkamah Sesyen pada Isnin atas pertuduhan merogol sepupunya yang di bawah umur.

Lelaki itu mengaku tidak bersalah di hadapan Hakim Amir Shah Amir Hassan atas tuduhan melakukan perbuatan itu ke atas seorang kanak-kanak perempuan berusia lima tahun pukul 3 petang pada 30 Jan tahun ini di sebuah rumah di Putatan.

Pertuduhan di bawah Seksyen 376(1) Kanun Keseksaan itu membawa hukuman penjara sehingga 20 tahun dan sebatan jika sabit kesalahan.

Pendakwaan ketika memohon tarikh sebutan baharu membantah ikat jamin kerana hubungan tertuduh dan mangsa tetapi mencadangkan ikat jamin sebanyak RM10,000 beserta dua orang penjamin sekiranya mahkamah membenarkan sebarang jaminan.

Tertuduh yang tidak diwakili memohon ikat jamin lebih rendah kerana dia hanya seorang nelayan, mempunyai empat anak dan isterinya kini dimasukkan ke hospital.

Amir Shah menetapkan 19 Feb untuk sebutan semula dan tidak menawarkan jaminan kepada tertuduh.

Di Mahkamah Sesyen berasingan, seorang penganggur dijatuhi hukuman penjara lima tahun dan diperintahkan dikenakan sekali sebatan kerana mengambil dadah buat kali ketiga.

Ag Sabri Ag Ali, 45, mengaku bersalah di hadapan Hakim Elsie Primus kerana mengambil Amphetamine dan Methamphetamine di sini pukul 8 malam pada 22 Sept, 2023.

Pertuduhan terhadap Sabri juga menyatakan bahawa dia mempunyai dua rekod sabitan atas kesalahan sama.

Dia didakwa mengikut Seksyen 15(1)(a) Akta Dadah Berbahaya (ADB) 1952 dibaca bersama Seksyen 39C(1)(b) Akta sama, yang memperuntukkan hukuman penjara antara lima tahun dan tujuh tahun serta tidak lebih daripada tiga kali sebatan rotan.

Sabri juga diperintah diletakkan di bawah pengawasan polis selama tiga tahun selepas itu.

Timbalan Pendakwa Raya Muhammad Al-Hakim Abdul Razak dan Tham Pou Jin melakukan pendakwaan.



TAJUK : PERLUAS 'BABY HATCH' JAMIN KEBAJIKAN, KESELAMATAN BAYI

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : BERITA HARIAN

TARIKH : 17 JAN 2024

M/SURAT : 13

STONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

## Perluas 'baby hatch' jamin kebajikan, keselamatan bayi

Nik Nur Irdina  
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**Hamil** luar nikah, terutama membabitkan remaja memang sesuatu yang seharusnya dielakkan. Jika ia terjadi, kesannya bukan sekadar menjejaskan kesihatan fizikal si ibu, tetapi juga memberi impak kepada mental dan persekitaran sosialnya.

Hal paling biasa kita dengar adalah sebahagian mereka ini akhirnya akan membuang bayi itu. Malah, media melaporkan 256 kes pembuangan bayi direkod sepanjang 2020 hingga 2022 berdasarkan statistik Polis Diraja Malaysia (PDRM) kebanyakan membabitkan remaja bawah umur dalam lingkungan 13 dan 17 tahun.

Umumnya mereka ini terbabit dengan hubungan luar nikah, justeru berdasarkan pemahaman yang cetek, pada masa sama, kebimbangan juga ketakutan, justeru membuang bayi dilahirkan dianggap cara terbaik menutup kesalahan.

Hal ini amat difahami kerana mereka tidak tahu apakah cara terbaik untuk mengatasi kesilapan dilakukan. Dari sudut pandangan Islam, perkara ini tentu sahaja memberi impak besar. Mendekati zina itu sudah berdosa apatah lagi jika berzina hingga ke tahap melahirkan anak luar nikah.

Ia menyebabkan pelbagai komplikasi dengan antaranya adalah kesukaran dalam penentuan nasab keturunan dan diskriminasi hidup pada masa hadapan. Dalam Islam, nasab keturunan adalah perkara sangat penting kerana ia membabitkan isu lain seperti perwalian, hak mewarisi dan beberapa lagi hal membabitkan hukum-hukum.

Hal ini tidak boleh dipandang remeh kerana ia turut membabitkan masa depan anak itu sebagai warganegara dan haknya untuk mendapat pendidikan. Keadaan ini seterusnya akan membawa kepada isu diskriminasi yang kemudian berpotensi

menjejaskan mentalnya. Keadaan akan bertambah buruk seiring dengan peningkatan usia. Tanpa dokumentasi sah, dia sukar mendapat pendidikan, pekerjaan juga berkahwin.

### Buang salah tanggap baby hatch

Justeru, dari sudut pandang sosial isu buang bayi ini harus ditangani begitu juga dengan isu kehamilan luar nikah membabitkan remaja. Selain penekanan ilmu agama, kesedaran sosial juga ha-

rus dipertingkatkan selain ilmu mengenai pendidikan seksual. Semua ini bagi memberi pengetahuan kepada anak remaja mengenai risiko luar nikah.

Selain itu, kewujudan pusat seperti *baby hatch* di Malaysia ketika ini perlu diperluaskan. Ia bukan untuk memberi galakan kepada hal sebegini, sebaliknya sebagai cara menjaga kebajikan bayi berkenaan. *Baby hatch* adalah inisiatif bagi si ibu meletakkan bayi mereka di tempat yang baik berbanding ditinggalkan di jalanan.

Masyarakat seharusnya berfikir terbuka dalam hal ini. *Baby hatch* mengutamakan kebajikan dan keselamatan bayi, selain memastikan mereka mendapat penjagaan kesihatan yang baik sebelum diserahkan kepada Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM). Ia adalah sistem sokongan diperlukan, pada masa sama, kita perlu mengurangkan kes kehamilan luar nikah, terutama membabitkan golongan remaja bawah umur.

Kesimpulannya, amat penting untuk memahami bahawa setiap individu, termasuk bayi, mempunyai hak untuk hidup dengan bermartabat dan mendapatkan kesempatan untuk berkembang. Menjaga bayi adalah tindakan mulia yang dapat mencipta impak positif dalam masyarakat dan memberi banyak manfaat untuk semua pihak.

Firman Allah SWT: "Wahai orang-orang yang beriman! Janganlah kamu mengkhianati (amanah) Allah dan Rasul-Nya, serta (janganlah) kamu mengkhianati amanah-amanah (yang diserahkan kepada) kamu, sedangkan kamu mengetahui dosanya. Dan ketahuilah bahawa harta benda kamu dan anak-anak kamu hanya menjadi ujian, dan sesungguhnya di sisi Allah jugalah pahala yang besar" (Surah al-Anfal: 27-28).





TAJUK : FAMILY OF BOY WHO PERISHED IN MILE 7 FIRE RECEIVES RM13,100

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

TARIKH : 17 JAN 2024

M/SURAT : 05

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM



Fatimah presents the aid to Hiew. — Photo by Galileo Petingi

## Family of boy who perished in Mile 7 fire receives RM13,100

**KUCHING:** A total of RM13,100 has been presented to a family adversely affected by a major blaze that broke out at Mile 7 shophouses here last week.

Minister of Women, Childhood and Community Wellbeing Development Sarawak Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah presented the aid to the household head, Hiew Sze Hian, during a ceremony in Kota Sentosa here yesterday.

"We have handed over aid such as pocket money, daily apparel including school uniforms, sleeping equipment and kitchen supplies, as well as food.

"We have also presented RM4,000 to rebuild the unit, which was 80 per cent destroyed, as well as RM6,000 for the family to recover their business.

"Thus, the total of aid amounted to RM13,100," she said

when met by reporters after the presentation.

Fatimah conveyed her condolences to the family, who lost their eldest son in the incident.

"We're deeply saddened by this incident, which involved a loss of life. We hope that the family would be able to get past this difficult situation," she added.

Meanwhile, the temporary relief centre at Bimajaya Recreational Hall in Kampung Bintawa Hilir used to shelter the Mile 7 fire victims, would be closed this Friday, said Fatimah.

This was in response to updates given by the village's fire victims placed at the hall during her visit there on Jan 15, who said that they had already found accommodation.

"Their (Pantai Damai)

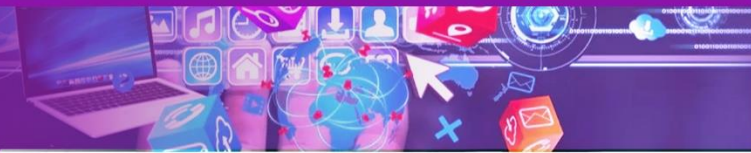
assemblyman Datuk Dr Abdul Rahman Junaidi had proposed for them to rent at the HDC Flats, but yesterday when I met them (the victims), they said they had already found places to stay.

"Some are staying at their sibling's house; some renting in other areas; some have even gone to Kampung Tambirat.

"So, we will close the temporary relief centre when they have moved into their new places," she said.

Fatimah said the relief centre was just a temporary shelter for the fire victims and thus, the facility was not the most ideal place for them to stay for an extended period.

She added that at the centre, those seeking shelter had to take turns to shower and used the toilets at the nearby mosque.



TAJUK : KUCHING MAN FINED RM2,000 FOR ASSAULTING PREGNANT WIFE

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : THE BORNEO POST

TARIKH : 17 JAN 2024

M/SURAT : 06

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

# Kuching man fined RM2,000 for assaulting pregnant wife

**KUCHING:** The Magistrates' Court here fined a man RM2,000 in default two months in jail for causing hurt to his pregnant wife.

Magistrate Zubaidah Sharkawi meted out the fine on Kirk Hammet Abdul Haris, 24, after he pleaded guilty to Section 323 of the Penal Code read together with Section 326A of the same Code.

The Section carries a jail term for up to one year or a fine of up to RM2,000, or both upon

conviction.

Kirk Hammet committed the offence at a house in Jalan Cahya Damai here at around 9.30am on Jan 10, 2024.

Based on the facts of the case, Kirk Hammet hit his 26-year-old wife on the body, ear, right rib, left arm, shoulder, and leg.

He assaulted his wife because he wanted to eat and she had not finished cooking the rice.

His wife subsequently lodged a police report that led to Kirk Hammet's arrest on Jan 13, 2024.

Investigation found that his wife suffered multiple abrasion wound on her left upper limb, ear pinna, left shoulder and right hand, and soft tissue injury on her leg.

It was understood that Kirk Hammet assaulted his wife because he was under pressure after being dismissed from his job four days before the incident.

Insp Nur Shafiq Nyaie Ilin prosecuted the case, while Kirk Hammet was unrepresented by counsel.



TAJUK :	MANHUNT FOR MOTORCYCLIST OVER SEXUAL HARASSMENT		
HARI :	RABU	AKHBAR :	THE STAR
TARIKH :	17 JAN 2024	M/SURAT :	07
TONE :	NEGATIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

## Manhunt for motorcyclist over sexual harassment

**PETALING JAYA:** Police are looking for a man believed to have masturbated in front of a woman while pretending to ask for directions.

A video of the incident was taken by the woman, who was shaken by the ordeal, to warn people about the man.

Petaling Jaya OCPD Asst Comm Mohamad Fakhruddin Abdul Hamid said they received a police report on the matter at 4.37pm on Monday.

"A police officer spotted a 46-second video clip of the incident on social media and lodged a report.

"The video shows a woman being sexually harassed by a motorcyclist who was believed to be masturbating," he said in a statement yesterday.

He said the incident was believed to have taken place in Kota Damansara.

"Checks revealed that the woman has yet to lodge a report on the matter.

"We urge this victim to come forward immediately and lodge a report, as it would facilitate further investigations under Section 377D of the Penal Code for committing gross indecency," he said.

Those with information on the case should contact the Petaling Jaya police operations room at 03-7966 2222 or Insp M. Magenderan at 017-335 6810.



TAJUK :	KPWKM RANCANG BEKERJASAMA DENGAN GARDENIA KL, PERKASA PROGRAM BENGKEL DAYA		
HARI :	RABU	AKHBAR :	UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)
TARIKH :	17 JAN 2024	M/SURAT :	08
TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

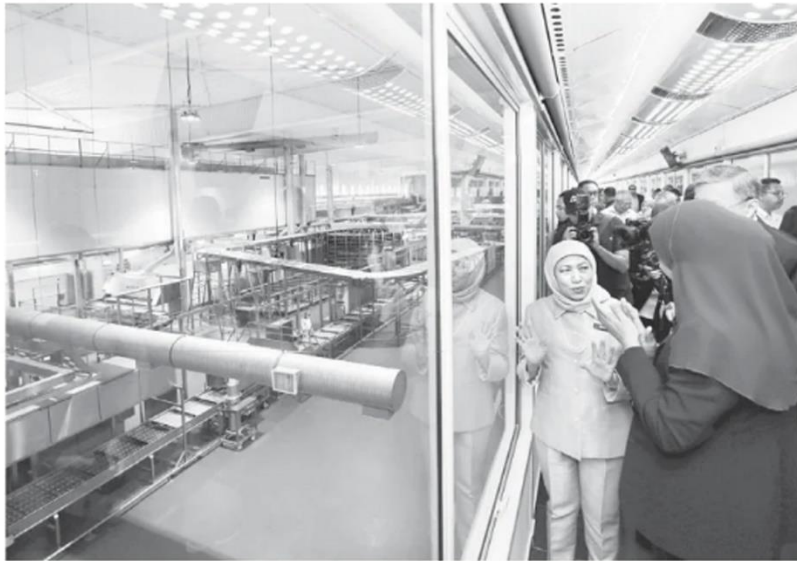
# KPWKM rancang bekerjasama dengan Gardenia KL, perkasa program Bengkel Daya

**SHAH ALAM:** Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat (KPWKM) berhasrat untuk bekerjasama dengan Gardenia Bakeries KL Sdn Bhd (Gardenia KL) bagi memperkasakan program Bengkel Daya.

Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Masyarakat Datuk Seri Nancy Shukri berkata program di bawah seliaan Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat (JKM) itu akan menjadi inisiatif kerjasama berpotensi untuk peningkatan kemahiran dan perkongsian pengetahuan teknologi, khususnya dalam seni pembuatan roti dan pastri.

“Langkah ini akan membantu pelatih Bengkel Daya dalam meningkatkan kualiti produk mereka. Selain itu, ia juga mencipta peluang pekerjaan kepada Orang Kurang Upaya (OKU) dan golongan muda daripada institusi JKM kerana mereka sukar mendapatkan pekerjaan.

“Ia juga sejajar dengan usaha tanggungjawab sosial korporat (CSR) berterusan Gardenia melalui program Gardenia Cares dan kerjas-



**TINJAU:** Nancy (kiri) ketika membuat lawatan ke kilang Gardenia pada Majlis Gardenia Bakeries (KL) Sdn Bhd Re-Launches Factory Tour di Shah Alam, semalam. — Gambar Bernama

ama ini akan menumpukan kepada sasaran demografi kementerian, menangani keperluan khusus mereka dengan lebih berkesan,” katanya ketika berucap pada pelancaran semula program lawatan kilang Gardenia Bakeries KL di sini

semalam. Bengkel Daya ialah bengkel perlindungan di bawah JKM khusus untuk OKU yang tidak berjaya mendapatkan pekerjaan di pasaran terbuka, yang menyediakan peluang pekerjaan dalam pelbagai bidang termasuk

pembuatan roti dan pastri bagi memberikan mereka sumber pendapatan.

Pada masa ini, terdapat dua Bengkel Daya yang diuruskan oleh JKM masing-masing di Klang, Selangor dan Sungai Petani, Kedah.

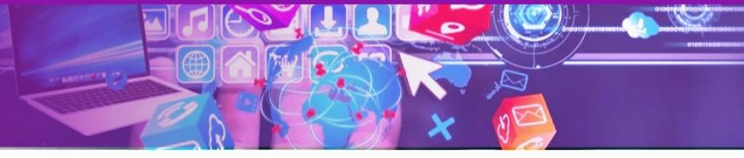
Nancy berkata kement-

riannya sentiasa menghargai dan menerima perkongsian serta sokongan daripada organisasi swasta seperti peranan berharga Gardenia KL sebagai rakan dalam membantu mangsa bencana alam.

Sementara itu, Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Gardenia KL Koh Chin Huat berkata syarikat itu sangat aktif dalam program jangkauan komuniti menerusi Gardenia Cares dan bekerjasama dengan JKM dalam membantu mangsa bencana seperti banjir, sepanjang tahun.

“Bermula akhir 2023 hingga sekarang, kami telah menyumbang lebih 300,000 unit produk bernilai kira-kira RM420,000. Gardenia KL ingin memastikan bahawa kami akan terus menyokong dan menyumbang kepada tujuan ini,” katanya.

Sementara itu, Koh berkata program Lawatan Kilang Gardenia dilancarkan semula semalam selepas ditangguhkan sementara hampir empat tahun sejak Mac 2020 berikutan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan dan turut terjejas akibat banjir pada Disember 2021. — Bernama



TAJUK : MANGSA KEBAKARAN LEGA TERIMA BANTUAN KERAJAAN

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)

TARIKH : 17 JAN 2024

M/SURAT : 02

TONE : POSITIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

## Mangsa kebakaran lega terima bantuan kerajaan

Mangsa kebakaran di pekan Batu 7, Hiew Sze Hian lega terima pelbagai bentuk bantuan berjumlah RM13,100

Oleh Patricia Gari

**KUCHING:** Hiew Sze Hian, 39, antara mangsa kebakaran dalam insiden 9 Januari lalu di pekan Batu 7, menarik nafas lega selepas menerima pelbagai bentuk bantuan daripada kerajaan melibatkan jumlah keseluruhan RM13,100.

Kebakaran yang berlaku itu tidak hanya memusnahkan rumah kedai yang juga tempat tinggal bersama keluarganya tetapi kehilangan seorang cahaya mata istimewa (OKU) berusia 12 tahun dalam kejadian yang berlaku sekitar 3 petang itu.

Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-Kanak Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah hadir menghulurkan sumbangan wang saku kepada Hiew di pekan Batu 7, dekat sini semalam memaklumkan bantuan-bantuan lain telah disalurkan sejak kejadian berlaku.

"Semua bentuk bantuan seperti makanan, pakaian,



**RINGKANKAN BEBAN:** Fatimah menyerahkan bantuan wang saku kepada Hiew. Turut kelihatan (dari kanan) Lai, Noriah dan Shairena.

baju seragam dan peralatan sekolah, kelengkapan tidur serta kelengkapan dapur telah diserahkan kepada Hiew.

"Kita menerusi Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Negeri Sarawak (JKMNS) juga telah memberi bantuan bahan

binaan berjumlah RM4,000 serta bantuan pemulihan perniagaan kepada Hiew untuk membolehkan beliau memulakan semula perniagaannya," katanya kepada pemberita pada majlis ringkas penyerahan bantuan wang saku kepada mangsa

semalam.

Hadir sama Setiausaha Tetap Kementerian Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti Noriah Ahmad, Pegawai Kebajikan Masyarakat Bahagian Kuching Shairena Jerlyn dan Peng-

“Semua bentuk bantuan seperti makanan, pakaian, baju seragam dan peralatan sekolah, kelengkapan tidur serta kelengkapan dapur telah diserahkan kepada Hiew.”

Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah  
Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Keluarga dan Pembangunan Kanak-Kanak

hulu Lai Boon Khoo.

Menurut Fatimah, bantuan pemulihan perniagaan diberikan kepada Hiew kerana beliau tidak dilindungi polisi insurans seperti mangsa lain dalam insiden kebakaran itu.

Bagaimanapun ujaninya, mangsa-mangsa lain telah diberikan sumbangan bencana seperti wang saku dan makanan.

"Mangsa lain tidak tinggal di rumah kedai dua tingkat yang musnah dalam kebakaran tempoh hari.

"Mereka hanya menggunakan tingkat atas untuk

menyimpan stok barangan berbeza dengan Hiew, memang tinggal di tingkat dua bangunan rumah kedainya.

"Sebab itulah kita memberi bantuan bahan binaan kepadanya. Salam takziah juga kita ucapkan kepada Hiew kerana kehilangan anaknya.

"Semoga mereka sekeluarga tabah menghadapi dugaan ini," tambah beliau.

Hiew memberitahu media, ketika ini dia dan keluarga tinggal di rumah sahabat karibnya yang membenarkannya tinggal di situ secara percuma sementara menunggu kerja-kerja pembaikan ke atas

rumah kedai milik keluarga itu siap.

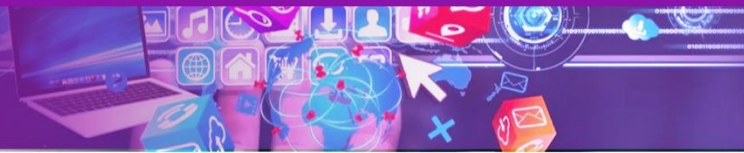
"Bersyukur kerana ramai rakan dan keluarga yang membantu. Walaupun masih sukar menerima kehilangan ini tetapi kami sekeluarga harus tabah.

"Terima kasih juga kepada kerajaan kerana tampil membantu kami," katanya ringkas.

Pada 9 Januari lalu dalam kejadian kebakaran yang memusnahkan enam rumah kedai di pekan Batu 7, Kota Sentosa, seorang kanak-kanak ditemui rentung.

Penolong Pengarah Operasi Negeri Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia (JBPM) Sarawak Henderi Ardiansyah berkata mangsa yang tidak dapat bergerak secara normal terperangkap di tingkat atas bangunan rumah kedai tersebut.

Henderi berkata api marak dengan cepat menyebabkan mangsa yang merupakan OKU telah terperangkap dan ditemui meninggal dunia dalam keadaan rentung.



TAJUK : PENGANGGUR CEDERAKAN ISTERI YANG MENGANDUNG DIDENDA RM2,000

HARI : RABU

AKHBAR : UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)

TARIKH : 17 JAN 2024

M/SURAT : 06

TONE : NEGATIF

SEKTOR : KPWKM

## Penganggur cederakan isteri yang mengandungi didenda RM2,000

**KUCHING:**Padah mencederakan isteri yang sedang mengandung lima bulan gara-gara nasi belum masak, seorang penganggur dijatuhi hukuman denda RM2,000 di Mahkamah Majistret semalam.

Majistret Zubaidah Sharkawi memerintahkan Kirk Hammet Abdul Haris, 25, yang tidak diwakili peguam dan mengaku bersalah melakukan kesalahan tersebut, untuk dipenjara dua bulan sekiranya gagal membayar denda.

Mengikut pertuduhan, tertuduh didakwa dengan sengaja mencederakan isterinya yang berusia 26 tahun pada 10 Januari 2024, sekitar jam 9.30 pagi di sebuah rumah di Jalan Cahya Damai,

Petra Jaya di sini.

Pertuduhan dibuat mengikut Seksyen 323 Kanun Keseksaan yang dibaca bersama Seksyen 326A Kanun Keseksaan yang sabit kesalahan, boleh dipenjara sehingga setahun atau denda sehingga RM2,000 atau kedua-duanya sekali.

Berdasarkan fakta kes, tertuduh yang berasa sangat lapar dan hendak makan naik angin apabila mangsa menyatakan bahawa nasi yang ditanaknya belum lagi masak.

Tertuduh seterusnya bertindak di luar kawalan dengan memukul mangsa di bahagian badan, telinga, tulang rusuk sebelah kanan serta bahagian lengan, bahu dan kaki, semua di bahagian

kiri.

Akibat kejadian itu, mangsa mengalami luka melecet di beberapa bahagian di sebelah kiri badan, selain mengalami kecederaan tisu lembut pada bahagian kaki kiri.

Justeru, mangsa yang khuatir akan keselamatan diri kemudian membuat laporan polis sehingga membawa kepada penangkapan tertuduh pada 13 Januari 2024.

Difahamkan, tertuduh menyatakan semasa kejadian, dia berada dalam keadaan tertekan kerana baru diberhentikan kerja (sebagai mekanik) sejak empat hari sebelum kejadian.

Pendakwaan dilakukan Pegawai Pendakwa Inspektor Nur Shafiq Nyaie Ilin.



TAJUK :	SARAWAK SUMBANG 12,000 KOTAK SUMBANGSIH KEPADA PASUKAN KESELAMATAN, PENGUATKUASAAN		
HARI :	RABU	AKHBAR :	UTUSAN BORNEO (SARAWAK)
TARIKH :	17 JAN 2024	M/SURAT :	02
TONE :	POSITIF	SEKTOR :	KPWKM

# Sarawak sumbang 12,000 kotak sumbangsih kepada pasukan keselamatan, penguatkuasaan

**KUCHING:** Sarawak menyumbang sebanyak 12,000 kotak sumbangsih yang akan diagihkan kepada 11 agensi penerima terdiri daripada pasukan keselamatan dan penguatkuasaan di negeri ini, yang bertugas pada Hari Raya Aidilfitri tahun ini.

Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti Dato Sri Fatimah Abdullah berkata, menerusi sumbangsih berkenaan ia mampu mengeratkan lagi silaturahmi antara kementerian dan agensi berkaitan.

“Sumbangan tersebut adalah sebagai tanda ingatan dan pengiktirafan atas sumbangan dan dedikasi mereka dalam menjaga keselamatan negara khususnya pada musim perayaan.

“Tahun ini tidak terkecuali Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak, akan meneruskan penganjuran Program Sumbangsih Raya 2024.

“Ia bagi menghargai jasa dan pengorbanan anggota-



**SIDANG MEDIA:** Fatimah (duduk, tengah) bersama Rosey (duduk, kiri) pada sidang media mengenai Sumbangsih Raya 2024 di Kuching, semalam.

anggota penguatkuasaan serta keselamatan dan mengekalkan hubungan silaturahmi antara kerajaan negeri dan agensi berkenaan,” katanya pada sidang media selepas mempenyerusikan mesyuarat Jawatankuasa Induk Sumbangsih Raya 2024 (SR24) di Wisma Wanita di sini, semalam.

Antara 11 agensi penerima sumbangan adalah Angkatan Tentera Malaysia (ATM), Po-

lis Diraja Malaysia (PDRM), Agensi Penguatkuasaan Maritim Malaysia (APMM), Jabatan Bomba dan Penyelamat Malaysia (JBPM), Jabatan Penjara Malaysia (JPM), Jabatan Imigresen Malaysia (JIM), Jabatan Kastam Diraja Malaysia (JKDRM), Jabatan Pengangkutan Jalan (JPJ), Angkatan Pertahanan Awam Malaysia (APM), Jabatan Sukarelawan Malaysia (RELA)

dan Unit Keselamatan dan Penguatkuasaan Sarawak (UKPS).

Tambah beliau, sumbangsih raya merupakan satu program Kerajaan Sarawak yang telah dilaksanakan setiap tahun sejak diperkenalkan pada 1990.

Katanya ia bagi menghargai pengorbanan anggota-anggota keselamatan dan penguatkuasaan serta badan-badan beruniform yang bertugas semasa Hari Raya Aidilfitri.

“Pada tahun lepas 2023, kerajaan melalui Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak telah melibatkan 11 agensi penerima Sumbangsih Raya dengan pemberian sebanyak 12,000 kontena sumbangsih,” ujarnya.

Hadirsama pada sidang media, Timbalan Menteri Pembangunan Wanita, Kanak-Kanak dan Kesejahteraan Komuniti Datuk Rosey Yunus dan Pengarah Jabatan Wanita dan Keluarga Sarawak Salmah Jobeli.