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KUALA KRAI, Sept 13 (Bernama) -- A total of 506 rural libraries nationwide will receive allocations totalling RM100,000 this year through the "Sentuhan Komuniti Bestari" programme.

Deputy Minister of National Unity K. Saraswathy said the allocation would be distributed to implement various small-scale programmes under the initiative.

"The programme focuses on improving reading culture, digital literacy and community unity in an inclusive and comprehensive manner by involving all levels of society," she said.

She said this when officiating the launch of the "Kembara Ilmu Ini Warisan Kita, Sentuhan Komuniti Bestari @ Dabong" Programme at the Kuala Gris Public Field here today.

Saraswathy said the "Kembara Ilmu Ini Warisan Kita" programme was a clear manifestation of the government's efforts to strengthen the spirit of unity among the people.

She added that the programme not only aimed to encourage reading but also to foster the spirit of loving the country and appreciating the diversity of its cultural heritage.

"Initiatives like 'Kembara Ilmu Ini Warisan Kita' can strengthen national identity, foster a love for knowledge and appreciate local treasures through an inclusive, creative and community-based approach.

"The uniqueness of this programme also enlivens the concept of 'Harmony in Diversity', a principle that serves as the core of the Ministry of National Unity's direction," she said.

She stressed that cultural diversity in Malaysia is not an obstacle, but a bridge for the people to forge mutual understanding.

"Unity is a journey, not the destination. It needs to be sown, cultivated and practised in our daily lives through community activities, knowledge sharing and appreciation towards our shared heritage," she said.

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