

No reason for price disparity

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KOTA KINABALU: There should not be any policy in the country to differentiate the price of goods, especially when Sabah and Sarawak are not colonised states, said Angkatan Amanah Merdeka (Amanah) president Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah.

He said the 'one nation one price' policy should be implemented regardless of the distance between Peninsular Malaysia and East Malaysia because that is the legacy of Bapa Malaysia, Tunku Abdul Rahman and The Founding Fathers of Malaysia, to be united regardless of religion, race and culture.

"We may be living apart geographically, but it doesn't mean we are not united. This is the reason why all Malaysians should be treated equally, according to what Bapa Malaysia and founding fathers wanted before the formation of the nation.

"There is no reason for the price differential of goods, especially with the high cost of living in Sabah," he said in his speech at the launching of Amanah Sabah chapter at Kian Kok hall here yesterday.

The Umno veteran took the United States as an example, where all goods of the same brand are the same in price regardless of its location.

He said the unresolved issue of pricing will be one of the thrusts of Amanah in Sabah, and at the same time will assist the people to address other perennial issues, including Malaysia Agreement, 20 Points, cabotage policy and Native Customary Rights (NCR).

Razaleigh said the issues of the Malaysia Agreement and 20 Points should not be ignored by the leaders because it is clear that the agreements should be adhered to according to the formation of Malaysia.

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Razaleigh urged the relevant parties to refer to the agreements as soon as possible as the people are not satisfied with the unresolved issues.

“On the recent announcement of the setting up of the royal commission of inquiry (RCI), I think this should be implemented as soon as possible for the sake of our nation’s security.

“There are many things happening in the country which are not in accordance with the constitution. This is one of the reasons why we need Malaysians to support us and accept us an NGO to fight for unresolved issues in the country,” he said.

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