

# UMS students advised to stay away from gathering

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) students have been reminded to maintain the good name of their institution and not take part in a proposed gathering tonight (Tuesday) allegedly to overthrow the Government.

UMS Vice-Chancellor Prof. Datuk Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah said students should use their spare time preparing for their examinations next week.

"I believe that UMS students are matured enough and know the good from the bad. So far, we haven't seen any significant activities which could damage

the university's name," he said, Monday.

Mohd Harun said students found to be involved in any illegal gathering would face legal action from the university.

However, he said, the university had not expelled any student and there had been no reports made on students taking part in such rallies.

He also advised students not to believe rumours or news spread on the social media on issues, including complaints of food poisoning at the canteen of a branch campus.

"A student should be wise to evaluate

and not make social websites such as Facebook a source because it can influence thinking and threaten national security," he said.

The police reportedly have given stern warnings to individuals and groups planning to stage an illegal rally at the Dataran Merdeka today (Tuesday).

Kuala Lumpur Deputy Police Chief Datuk Amar Singh Ishar Singh was quoted as saying the police would not hesitate to arrest anyone instigating chaos under the Penal Code and Security Offences (Special Measures) Act 2012.