

Empowering youth: Lifelong learning opens doors to success beyond higher education

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MELAKA: Youths, especially those who are not keen to pursue higher education, are encouraged to enrol in lifelong learning (PSH) programmes offered at community colleges and technical and vocational training (TVET) institutions throughout the country.

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"We offer a range of courses under PSH, especially involving short-term courses, and the Ministry of Education, through the Department of Polytechnics and

Community College Education (JPPKK), is actively working to expand and promote this programme.

"Our focus is on the youth...Currently, we are facing some concerns as many of them do not want to further their education after completing their Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) examination," he told reporters after the Jejak TVET MADANI @ Polycc programme at the Bukit Beruang Community College here today.

Mustapha said the PSH programme consists of short-term courses available at minimal costs and is accessible through community colleges nationwide.

"...with the certificate they have acquired, they will find it easier to secure employment or start a business in their pursued field," he said.

Earlier, Mustapha inaugurated the Lab X Coffee Lounge Incubator Centre, which is run by alumni of the community college. – Bernama