

## Azis defends his children's right to Sabah scholarship

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Datuk Azis Jamman. - NSTP file pic

KOTA KINABALU: Former Deputy Home Minister Datuk Azis Jamman has defended his children's entitlement to a Sabah scholarship, stating that they had met the minimum requirements.

, including granting scholarships to the family members of opposition leaders.

"(However), it is worth reminding Hajiji that when my family and I approached him, we did not come as political opponents, but as a father and mother, and as citizens exercising a fundamental right to seek educational support for our children.

"My wife is not a politician, and my children should not be drawn into political pointscoring. Why should my children's applications be politicised simply because of my political affiliation?

"After all, my children's scholarship applications meet the minimum requirements for approval. Otherwise, even with Hajiji's recommendation, I am sure it would have been rejected by the scholarship department," he said in a statement.

Azis also urged the Sabah government to emulate Sarawak in providing free tertiary education to qualified Sarawak students at its five institutions of higher learning by 2026.