

FT Dept to act on immigrant dumping issue

LABUAN: The Federal Territories Department will focus on resolving the prolonged IMM13 issues on the duty-free island and the dumping of foreign immigrants in Kuala Lumpur.

The IMM13 is a document issued to Filipino citizens with refugee status in Sabah and Labuan.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Federal Territories) Dr Zaliha Mustafa said the issues were discussed during the Federal Territories state security working committee meeting No.1/2024 in Kuala Lumpur on Monday, marking the first such meeting since 2020.

"The meeting primarily focused on various security and public order issues," she said in a statement.

Zaliha also highlighted the issue of illegal settlements by Rohingya people in Bandar Baru Sentul, which was widely shared online, and said the matter would be addressed immediately.

She also announced the establishment of a special unit, the KL Strike Force, that would operate in an integrated manner with the involvement of police, the Immigration Department, Kuala Lumpur City Hall, Domestic Trade and Cost of Living Ministry and the Customs Department.

She said the unit would address security issues, including those involving street traders, hawkers, petty traders, beggars, homeless people and other matters threatening public safety and order in the Federal Territory.

"This concerted enforcement will commence immediately in hotspot areas, including swift action on widely shared posts on social media," Zaliha said. – Bernama