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PREFACE

Across Borders is designed for use in knowledge development in various disciplines. It is written to accommodate the interest of academicians and industry. The compilation of research abstracts from different fields provides valuable information to assist the expansion of knowledge and development. It also serves as a reference for Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Melaka Campus and the Division of Research, Industrial Linkages & Alumni.

The compilation of proceeding abstracts includes 83 research abstracts that are divided into 3 sections according to their respective disciplines; Management and Business, Science and Technology, and Social Science and Humanities.

It is hoped that this book would inspire its readers to undertake further research in the specific fields or disciplines.

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ABSTRACT

The constant baby dumping issue reported in the news has raised major concerns among all Malaysians. The National Registration Department reported that there were over 155,700 young Muslim mothers, including those who are still in school gave birth to babies out of wedlock between 2000 and 2008 (The Star, 7th December 2010). Hence, the public has demanded the government to take action in order to curb this appalling occurrence from taking place again. Some suggested finding out the root cause of the problem. Tuan Guru Nik Aziz Nik Mat, Kelantan Menteri Besar opined that sex education in schools would encourage teenage sexual promiscuity. He insisted that the best way to resolve this issue is to instill greater Islamic values in our children at an early age. Tun Dr. Mahathir Muhammad commented that sex education in schools was unnecessary because students are already getting Islamic and moral education. Much of the upheaval, the government decided to introduce sex education in school as a long term strategy in dealing with this particular social problem. The subject known as the Social and Reproductive Health Education module will be introduced to primary and secondary school children starting from January 2011. The idea is to introduce sex education early before the children reach puberty so that they have time to decide for themselves on matters of sexuality and sex. This research based paper aims to find out the level of knowledge the teenagers on sex and sexuality and their perception on the content of the syllabus before they receive formal sex education lessons in class.

KEYWORDS

Sex, Sex education, Sexuality, Social problem, Teenagers