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School Cooperative Board Members To Take Corruption-free Pledge

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TAIPING, March 6 (Bernama) -- A total of 16,716 school cooperative board members involving students and principals from 2,388 school cooperatives nationwide will take the Corruption-Free Pledge this year.

Angkatan Koperasi Kebangsaan Malaysia Berhad (Angkasa) president Datuk Abdul Fattah Abdullah said the move was aimed at creating greater awareness on preventing crimes among students in the country.

"We want this group of people to be exposed to the risks of corruption and to prevent corruption at an early stage beginning at school level," he told a press conference after a corruption-free pledge ceremony between state-level cooperative societies and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) here today.

The pledge signed by Perak Angkasa chairman Mohd Rosli Basri, was later handed over to Perak MACC director-general (Prevention) Ahmad Shukri Mohamad Taib.

Abdul Fattah said that though the problem of corruption among cooperatives was not alarming and has not reached two per cent, the agency took corruption seriously.

He added that Angkasa was managing monthly transactions of about RM1.4 billion which involved loan payments from two million civil servants.

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