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BANGI, Nov 3 (Bernama) -- The allocation for the Community Development Department (Kemas) in Budget 2019 has increased 12 per cent from RM34 million in 2018 to RM38.5 million in 2019, said Rural Development Minister Datuk Seri Rina Mohd Harun.

She said higher allocation for Kemas would be used to carry out skills and education programmes to uplift the socio-economy of rural communities.

"Part of the allocation for Kemas will be used for early childhood education, community development in rural areas as well as skills, training and professional development programmes," she told reporters after opening the Kemas National Seminar on Early Childhood Education at Universiti Tenaga Nasional (Uniten) here today.

She said the ministry would encourage Kemas teachers to further their studies so that they could provide quality education to children in its kindergartens and nurseries.

Rina said the allocation for infrastructure development in rural areas such as roads, water and electricity supply was also increased and there were provisions for Sabah and Sarawak.....