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# TH denies debiting money to pay PTPTN

by AZREEN HANI

LEMBAGA Tabung Haji (TH) yesterday denied claims that it was involved in debiting money from a depositor's account to pay the National Higher Education Fund (PTPTN) loans.

TH in a statement yesterday described such claims which had kept the social media buzzing as baseless and slanderous.

"Tabung Haji does not have any cooperation with regards to the payment of PTPTN loans. Any withdrawals from depositors' account should be based on their instruction and agreement," TH said.

A posting on social media claimed that a depositor's funds amounting to RM30,000 in TH had been channelled for PTPTN loan repayment.

TH, however, said that the person who made such claim



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had issued an apology over the matter.

The pilgrimage fund also issued a letter of apology written by the individual who disseminated the post.

"We want irresponsible parties to stop spreading this false

claims. Such incorrect information will only leave a negative impact on TH and confuse depositors," TH said.

It hoped the public will verify the validity of any information before sharing it with other people.

PTPTN in a statement yesterday also denied receiving RM30,000 from TH.

"The information is not true and slanderous. The public and Internet users should not be misled with such rumours," it said.

*Bernama* reported PTPTN chairman Datuk Shamsul Anuar Nasrah as clarifying that the education financing body does not have any power to access or take funds from TH depositor's account.

"We have also asked the person involved in this matter to lodge a police report so we can determine the reasons behind the missing funds," Shamsul Anuar was reported as saying.

PTPTN will also lodge a report with the police and Malaysian Communication and Multimedia Commission to stop the issue from being perpetuated.