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LEMBAGA TABUNG HAJI

Ismee's departure politicised by many

I READ with concern the negative comments and speculation regarding the departure of Lembaga Tabung Haji (TH) group managing director and chief executive officer Tan Sri Ismee Ismail.

These steer towards condemnation of our nation's pilgrim board fund.

I noticed that in the last few months, these same parties seem to be attacking from various angles.

In the corporate world, it is common for a CEO to step down after a certain period. I believe these negative comments are politically motivated.

As a depositor, I am grateful to TH for facilitating me and other Muslims to save money for our pilgrimage.

I feel secure knowing that my savings and welfare will be taken care of when I perform my hajj in the coming months.

I am also thankful that the bonuses and dividends given by TH have



Tan Sri Ismee Ismail stepped down as TH's group managing director and CEO

helped to increase my hajj savings.

Therefore, I really do not understand the debacle that's been going on.

I believe the news about his departure has been sensationalised and politicised.

According to a politician, the pil-

grim board has an underlying agenda and should be perceived negatively in every move it makes.

The politician spread comments that the news about Ismee leaving proved him right and that an earlier police report against him for alleged defamatory statements was uncalled for.

He must have been a soothsayer to predict the changes in the board, but a naysayer when the police came looking for him. Such is his power of premonition, I must say.

My friends in other countries have nothing but praise for the fund, while certain Malaysians are condemning an organisation that should be seen as an asset to the country.

Some people like to share speculation and negativity despite not knowing the facts or the truth. This situation is worse on social media.

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TH's bonuses and dividends have increased depositors' savings.