

Primary School Condom Distribution

The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education has announced plans to begin condom distribution in primary schools in an attempt to curb teenage pregnancy. This bewildering scheme is akin to trying to extinguish fire by dousing it with petrol. However well-intentioned a plan may be, ignoring common sense and basic morality will inevitably lead to ruin.

Lamentable is the fact that primary school which is naturally an age of innocence for kids, has now mutated into a sexually-charged environment. This situation demands active participation from parents, educators and school administrations to place things in proper perspective for our children. However, as in all forms of child upbringing, the role of the parent is the most crucial.

Our children need to be guided as what physical intimacy is, and why it is wrong before marriage. They need to be made to understand that it is a sin which brings about the displeasure of Allah and leads to potential ruin by being infected with HIV/AIDS or falling pregnant. They need to be taught the sanctity and value of their bodies and how to avoid situations where they can be abused and molested. They need to be protected from pornography and immoral and promiscuous media. What they do not need is free condoms.

The Muslim community is urged to voice their disapproval of this plan at their local school boards to ensure our schools are safeguarded of the same.

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