

Indonesian International Islamic University To Teach Sunni Islam – Islamic Forum



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The Islamic Students' Forum (FMI) has supported the Indonesian government's further steps of establishing the Indonesian International Islamic University (UIII) in the country.

The general chairman of FMI, Ali Alatas, said Wednesday (on 4 October) that it was a must for FMI to support any efforts to increase and develop the quality of Islamic education in the country.

According to him, however, the Forum strongly opposes those ideas of having permanent lecturers and faculty members from non-Ahlu Sunnah wal Jama'ah Islamic countries such as the US, Canada, Europe, Iran and the like, since it would contradict the existing characteristics of the Indonesian Islamic society.

He also said that whether or not "importing" such faculty members would be carried out on purpose, but it would be, indeed, a dangerous effort to ruin the faith of Indonesian Muslims which was nothing else but Ahlu Sunnah wal Jama'ah [Sunni Islam].

Mentioning that there were many different ulema and Islamic academicians belonging to Ahlu Sunnah wal Jama'ah, he said that UIII might have many visiting ulema and Islamic professors from Al Azhar University of Egypt, Al Ahgaff University of Yemen, Darul Hadits University of Morocco, and many more.

Ali Alatas insisted preventing the government's UIII project from being made use of carrying out the so-called Liberalism propaganda project of the Islamic Higher Education as well as other schools of thought which were not in line with the teachings of [Indonesian] Sunni Islam.

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