

Reflection on counter terrorism learning journey

On 19th October 2019, I went to the Religious Rehabilitation Group (RRG) with my mother. The learning journey there has been very interesting and we have learnt a lot from the experience there.

I have learnt that it takes a short period of time for one to become a terrorist. The internet has been used to expand terrorist ideology. The use of the internet has allowed the information like terrorist attacks to unsuspecting individuals which might cause them to turn to the path of terror to be disseminated quickly. Extremists have misinterpreted Islam. For example, the word 'Isimata' actually means 'suicide' which is forbidden in Islam. Extremists attempt to justify the use of suicide attacks to achieve their violent purposes.

The Religious Rehabilitation Group (RRG) has helped individuals with the misinterpreted concepts of Islam. This is to allow those who had been involved with terrorism reintegrate into society after their release. This is done through religious rehabilitating and counselling to those previously involved with terrorism and public talks to expose the actual meaning of Islamic concepts.

In a nutshell, this learning journey has taught me to think critically beyond the box. I would definitely recommend this learning journey to others. I would like to thank the GESS PTA for organising this wonderful and enriching learning journey.

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