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ALOR SETAR, SEPT. 23 (BERNAMA) -- EDUCATION MINISTER DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD GAVE AN ASSURANCE TODAY THAT THE MINISTERIAL COMMITTEE SET UP TO REVIEW THE EDUCATION SYSTEM WOULD NOT CHANGE THE EDUCATION POLICY.

SPEAKING TO MORE THAN 1,000 TEACHERS HERE, HE SAID THE COMMITTEE COULD ONLY REVIEW THE SYSTEM TO ACHIEVE THE OBJECTIVE OF MAKING THE RAKYAT AS ADVANCED IN EDUCATION AS THE PEOPLE OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

ON BAHASA MALAYSIA AS THE MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION, DR. MAHATHIR SAID ABOUT 90 PER CENT OF THE PEOPLE IN THE COUNTRY SUPPORTED THE POLICY.

HE SAID THERE WERE A HANDFUL WHO, EXPRESSING WHILE SUPPORT MADE +UNREASONABLE DEMANDS+.

+WE CANNOT ENTERTAIN THE DEMANDS OF THESE MINORITIES+, HE SAID.
+IF OTHER COUNTRIES CAN USE THEIR OWN LANGUAGE AS THE MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION, WHY CAN'T BAHASA MALAYSIA BE SIMILARLY USED IN THIS COUNTRY+. A--BERNAMA 1920/SZ