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MAHATHIR-HEADTEACHERS

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KUALA LUMPUR, NOV. 19 (BERNAMA) — EDUCATION MINISTER DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED TODAY EMPHASISED THE NEED FOR HEADTEACHERS TO SHOW LEADERSHIP AND GOOD EXAMPLE TO OTHERS IN ORDER TO CARRY OUT THEIR DUTIES MORE EFFECTIVELY.

HE SAID HEADTEACHERS SHOULD REVIEW THEIR ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITY AND ADAPT THEMSELVES TO THE CHANGES THAT WERE TAKING PLACE.

DR. MAHATHIR SAID THIS IN HIS SPEECH FOR THE OPENING OF A SEMINAR ORGANISED BY THE NATIONAL UNION OF HEADTEACHERS ON THE ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF HEADTEACHERS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MALAYA. HIS SPEECH WAS READ OUT BY HIS DEPUTY, ENCIK CHAN SIANG SUN.

DR. MAHATHIR SAID HEADTEACHERS SHOULD NO LONGER ENTERTAIN IDEAS THAT WERE 15 YEARS OLD OR THAT OF THE COLONIAL PERIOD WHEN THEY WERE THE EDUCATORS AND LEADERS IN KAMPUNGS.

HE SAID THAT THAT THEIR ROLE HAD CHANGED, BECAUSE THERE HAD EMERGED OTHER LEADERS FROM UNIONS AS WELL AS POLITICAL PARTIES. — BERNAMA MORE 1700/AZ

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BECAUSE OF THAT, HE SAID, HEADTEACHERS MUST ADAPT THEMSELVES TO BE IN LINE WITH OTHER LEADERS OF THE COMMUNITY.

THE MINISTER SAID THEY SHOULD ALWAYS WORK CLOSELY WITH LEADERS OF OTHER SECTORS SO THAT THERE WOULD BE NO DUPLICATION OF EFFORTS.

THIS WOULD NOT ONLY IMPROVE THEIR OWN IMAGE BUT ALSO HELP THE SCHOOLS TO PROGRESS. — BERNAMA 1702/AZ