

KUALA LUMPUR, APRIL 4⁷⁵ (BERNAMA) -- THE STANDARD SIX EXAMINATION IN SABAH WILL BE FULLY ABOLISHED IN 1978, THE EDUCATION MINISTER, DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED SAID TODAY IN THE DEWAN RAKYAT.

IN A WRITTEN REPLY TO ENCIK STEPHEN ROBERT EVANS (BN-KENINGAU), HE SAID THE ABOLITION OF THE EXAMINATION WOULD ENABLE ALL PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPILS TO ENTER FORM ONE AND ENJOY NINE YEARS OF BASIC EDUCATION.

THE EXAMINATION HAD TO BE ABOLISHED IN STAGES BECAUSE OF LACK OF PLACES AND SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS, HE ADDED.

REPLYING TO ENCIK THOMAS SALANG SIDEN (SNAP-JULAU), DR. MAHATHIR SAID ALL PUPILS IN PENINSULAR MALAYSIA WERE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENJOY NINE YEARS OF BASIC EDUCATION.

REPLYING TO DR. CHEN MAN HIN (DAP-SEREMBAN) DR. MAHATHIR REITERATED THAT HIS MINISTRY WAS TAKING STEPS TO ENSURE THAT LEAKAGE OF EXAMINATION PAPERS WOULD NOT RECUR. -- BERNAMA 1902/LK