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KUALA LUMPUR, AUG. 1 (BERNAMA) -- EDUCATION MINISTER, DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED, HAS URGED BUMIPUTRAS WITH COMMERCIAL QUALIFICATIONS TO MAKE FULL USE OF THEM TO IMPROVE THEIR LIVELIHOOD.

HE SAID TODAY MANY BUMIPUTRAS POSSESSED SUCH QUALIFICATIONS BUT ONLY FEW OF THEM ACTUALLY USED THEIR KNOWLEDGE TO SEEK THEIR OWN LIVING.

DR. MAHATHIR MADE THE CALL IN A SPEECH FOR THE OPENING OF A SEMINAR ON COMMERCIAL MANAGEMENT AND SHORTHAND COMPETITION ORGANISED BY THE INSTITUT TRENGKAS MALAYSIA HERE. THE SPEECH WAS READ BY THE MINISTRY'S DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH, ENCIK ABDUL RAHMAN ARSHAD.

DR. MAHATHIR URGED THE STUDENTS TO BE PATIENT IN ORDER TO OVERCOME THE PROBLEMS IN THEIR STUDIES, AS COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS SUCH AS TYPING, SHORTHAND AND ACCOUNTING NEEDED PRACTICE AND DILIGENCE.

THE INSTITUTE'S CHIEF INSTRUCTOR, HAJI HASHIM RAIS, SAID IT WOULD BUILD A 15-STOREY BUILDING TO HOUSE THE COMMERCIAL SCHOOL.

THE INSTITUTE, SET UP IN 1971, NOW HAS 59 BRANCHES IN THE COUNTRY WITH MORE THAN 6,000 STUDENTS. -- BERNAMA 1854/A1