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ALOR STAR, MAR. 16 (BERNAMA) — THE UNIVERSITY OF MALAYA IS TO HAVE A FACULTY FOR ISLAMIC STUDIES SOON, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED SAID TODAY.

THIS WAS PART OF THE GOVERNMENT'S EFFORTS TO UPGRADE THE STANDARD OF ISLAMIC RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS.

SPEAKING AT A MEETING WITH VILLAGERS FROM EIGHT KAMPUNGS AT THE KAMPUNG MELELE RELIGIOUS SECONDARY SCHOOL, 23 MILES FROM HERE, HE SAID HIS MINISTRY WAS IN THE PROCESS OF TAKING OVER ADMINISTRATION OF AT LEAST ONE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL IN EACH STATE IN THE COUNTRY.

THE STEP WOULD HELP EXPEDITE GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE TO RELIGIOUS SECONDARY SCHOOLS TO MAKE THEM INTO FULLY-ASSISTED SCHOOLS.

THE GOVERNMENT WOULD ALSO SEND MORE STUDENTS FOR FURTHER STUDIES OVERSEAS LIKE TO EGYPT, INDIA, PAKISTAN, BANGLADESH AND INDONESIA.

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THE GOVERNMENT HAD INCREASED THE ALLOCATION FOR RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS UNDER THE THIRD MALAYSIA PLAN.

DR. MAHATHIR, WHO IS ALSO EDUCATION MINISTER, WAS PLEASED TO NOTE THAT MORE RELIGIOUS SCHOOLS WERE EQUIPPED WITH FACILITIES TO TEACH SCIENCE SUBJECTS.

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT ENCOURAGED THE TEACHING OF ISLAM IN SCHOOLS TO HELP YOUTHS WITHSTAND UNDESIRABLE INFLUENCES.

YOUTHS WITH RELIGIOUS UPBRINGING AND EDUCATION WOULD HAVE GOOD MORALS, BEHAVIOUR AND STRONG CHARACTER TO KEEP AWAY FROM ACTIVITIES LIKE DRUG ABUSE. — BERNAMA MORE 2122/BW

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EARLIER, OPENING THE KODIANG UMNO BRANCH GENERAL MEETING AT THE KODIANG NATIONAL SCHOOL, 25 MILES FROM HERE, THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER URGED THE PEOPLE TO OBEY THE LAW AND NOT TO ACT ONLY FOR SELF-INTERESTS.

THIS WOULD GUARANTEE SECURITY AND PEACE FOR THE COUNTRY. HE STRESSED LAWS IN MALAYSIA HAD PARLIAMENTARY SANCTION AND NOT PROMULGATED ACCORDING TO THE WHIMS OF THE HEAD OF THE COUNTRY.

DR. MAHATHIR ALSO SAID CALLED ON THE PEOPLE TO DISCARD FEELINGS OF ENVY AND JEALOUSY TOWARDS OTHERS. — BERNAMA 2124/BW