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MERSING, JUNE 28 (BERNAMA)-- THE SUCCESS OF STUDENTS CANNOT BE MEASURED ONLY IN TERMS OF TEST OR EXAMINATION RESULTS BUT IN THE MOULDING OF THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARDS EDUCATION, DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED SAID TODAY.

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAID THIS WAS IMPORTANT BECAUSE EDUCATION DID NOT END AT PRIMARY SCHOOLS BUT CONTINUED THROUGH SECONDARY-LEVEL AND EVEN FURTHER.

IF PRIMARY STUDENTS COULD DEVELOP A POSITIVE ATTITUDE - A WILLINGNESS TO STUDY HARD - IT WOULD BE A MAJOR SUCCESS THAT COULD RESULT IN FURTHER ACHIEVEMENTS, HE ADDED DR. MAHATHIR, WHO IS ALSO THE EDUCATION MINISTER, WAS OPENING THE \$167,000 BUILDING OF THE SEKOLAH KEBANGSAAN SAWAH DATUK HERE. - BERNAMA MORE 1810/1B

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HE SAID STUDENTS WHO WERE NEGLECTED IN THEIR TENDER AGE WOULD FIND IT DIFFICULT TO PROGRESS IN EDUCATION IF THEIR ATTITUDE WAS NOT MOULDED TOWARDS EDUCATION.

THIS WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY GIVE RISE TO VARIOUS, PROBLEMS, ESPECIALLY DISCIPLINARY ONES, WHEN THEY REACHED A HIGHER STAGE IN THEIR EDUCATION.

DR. MAHATHIR STRESSED THAT NO COUNTRY WOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP ITS ECONOMY OR OTHER FIELDS IF THERE WAS NO EXPERTISE AVAILABLE IN THOSE FIELDS.

AS SUCH, PROPER ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE PRIMARY SCHOOLS TO ENABLE THE PUPILS TO BE BETTER PREPARED TO EQUIP THEMSELVES WITH THE NECESSARY KNOWLEDGE AT HIGHER LEVELS. - BERNAMA MORE 1812/1B

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THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER SAID TEACHERS SHOULD TEACH THEIR STUDENTS MORE EFFECTIVELY.

TEACHERS SHOULD DISPLAY A POSITIVE ATTITUDE AND EXAMPLE AS REQUIRED OF THEM AND CONTAINED IN THE TEACHERS' CODE OF CONDUCT.

HE SAID THE CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT CENTRE IN THE EDUCATION MINISTRY WAS NOW TRYING A SYSTEM OF TEACHING WHICH EMPHASISED ON IT INTEREST AND ENVIRONMENT OF STUDENTS. --BERNAMA MORE 1820/MD

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TESTS, CONDUCTED ALREADY FOR A YEAR AND TO BE CONTINUED UNTIL 1979 IN SEVEN PRIMARY SCHOOLS IN KUALA LUMPUR HAD PRODUCED

POSITIVE RESULTS.

IT WAS HOPED THAT AT THE END OF THIS PROJECT THE GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO OVERCOME ACADEMIC PROBLEMS OF PRIMARY STUDENTS.

ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF EDUCATION IN JOHORE, HE SAID THAT NEARLY \$38 MILLION WAS ALLOCATED UNDER THE SECOND MALAYSIA PLAN. ABOUT \$14 MILLION WAS SPENT ON PRIMARY SCHOOL PROJECTS.

UNDER THE THIRD PLAN, BIGGER SUMS WOULD BE ALLOCATED AND PRIORITY WOULD BE GIVEN TO SCHOOLS THAT HAD NOT RECEIVED AID.

--BERNAMA MORE 1824/MD

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ON ARRIVAL, DR. MAHATHIR AND HIS WIFE, DR. SITI HASMAH, WERE GIVEN A ROUSING WELCOME.

THEY WERE MET AT THE SRI PANTAI AIRSTRIP NEAR HERE BY THE MENTRI BESAR, TAN SRI HAJI OTHMAN SAAT AND HIS WIFE, STATE ASSEMBLYMEN, SENIOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND BARISAN NASIONAL MEMBERS, TO THE BEAT OF KOMPANGS AND MUSIC FROM INDIAN FLUTES, AND GREETED BY A SILAT GROUP AND A LION DANCE.

A FEW HUNDRED METRES FROM THE AIRSTRIP, THE MOTORCADE CARRYING DR. MAHATHIR STOPPED FOR THE PEOPLE OF MERSING LED BY DISTRICT OFFICER SYED OMAR HASSAN, TO WELCOME THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TO THEIR DISTRICT.

ALONG THE ROAD TO JOHORE BAHRU, DR. MAHATHIR AND HIS ENTOURAGE STOPPED AT KOTA TINGGI, ULU TIRAM AND KAMPUNG MELAYU MAJIDEE HERE TO BE WELCOMED BY THE RESIDENTS. --BERNAMA 1847/MD