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KUALA LUMPUR, SEPT. 26 (BERNAMA)—ACTING PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TONIGHT THAT BAHASA MALAYSIA WAS NOW FULLY USED AS THE MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION UP TO FORM TWO IN ALL GOVERNMENT-ASSISTED SECONDARY SCHOOLS.

HE EXPRESSED SATISFACTION OVER THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED BY THOSE SCHOOLS.

HE ALSO HOPED THAT THE SCHOOLS, TEACHERS AND PARENTS WOULD PLAY THEIR PART TO FURTHER DEVELOP EDUCATION UNDER THE PRESENT SYSTEM.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR, WHO IS ALSO MINISTER OF EDUCATION, WAS SPEAKING AT A GATHERING TO MARK THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE METHODIST GIRLS SECONDARY SCHOOL HERE.

HE PRAISED THE METHODIST CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS FOR ACCEPTING THE NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY AND FOR THEIR EARLY USE OF BAHASA MALAYSIA AS A MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION.

THE DECISION TAKEN BY THE AUTHORITIES OF THOSE SCHOOLS HAD FACILITATED COMMUNICATION BETWEEN THEM AND THE GOVERNMENT. -- BERNAMA MORE HM 2140

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HE SAID THAT WHAT WAS MORE IMPORTANT WAS THE FACT THAT IT MADE IT EASIER FOR THE GOVERNMENT TO IMPLEMENT THE NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY.

ON THE AID GIVEN BY THE PUBLIC TO THE SCHOOL'S EXTENSION BUILDING PROJECT, HE SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT APPRECIATED SUCH AID.

HE WAS HAPPY THAT IN OUR COMMUNITY, THOSE WHO WERE WELL-OFF WERE WILLING TO HELP THOSE IN NEED.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR ALSO ADVISED PARENTS TO KEEP A CLOSE WATCH OVER THEIR CHILDREN TO PREVENT THEM FROM FALLING UNDER UNDESIRABLE INFLUENCES SUCH AS DRUGS. -- BERNAMA HM 2142