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PETALING JAYA, NOV. 4 (BERNAMA) --- THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER, DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMED, SAID TODAY FROM NEXT YEAR ONLY OFFICERS WHO HAD COMPLETED PRE-SELECTION COURSE WOULD BE TAKEN FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICE (ADS).

HE SAID THE GOVERNMENT VIEWED SERIOUSLY THE NEED TO HAVE WELL-TRAINED MEMBERS IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE TO ENSURE EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF MY ACTIVITY.

OPENING A PRE-SELECTION COURSE FOR ADS OFFICERS AT INTAN HERE, HE ALSO SAID PROFESSIONALISM IN MANY FIELDS WAS IMPORTANT FOR THE SUCCESS OF IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT.

+THERE SHOULD ALSO BE PROFESSIONALISM IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICE, + HE SAID.

BESIDES GIVING GENERAL GUIDANCE TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE, ADS WAS ALSO PLAYING THE ROLE OF SPECIAL ADMINISTRATORS ADVISING POLITICAL LEADERS ON GOVERNMENT POLICIES.

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER ALSO INDICATED THE POSSIBILITY OF EXTENDING THE ONE-YEAR PRE-SELECTION COURSE TO TWO OR THREE YEARS IN FUTURE. --- BERNAMA MORE 1330/YF

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DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR, WHO IS ALSO MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SAID FROM 1979 THE EDUCATION MINISTRY WOULD EXTEND THE PERIOD FOR TEACHER TRAINING FROM TWO TO THREE YEARS.
THIS WAS TO IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF TEACHING IN THE COUNTRY.
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