

# Be on guard against false teachings, Muslims told

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ALOR STAR, Aug 1, 1978 Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad reminded Muslims last night to be on guard against religious teachers who misinterpret the teachings of Islam.

He said such teachers had caused confusion among the young and this had brought negative consequences to the society.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir was speaking to a congregation after attending a fast-breaking and prayer meeting at Mesjid Melele, 21 miles from here.

He warned that if the young were influenced by such teachers, there would be violence and unrest in the country, as had happened in some Muslim countries.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said the people should always be vigilant

against the activities of such religious teachers.

He reiterated that unity among the Muslims was very important to ensure a bright future.

Muslims should renew their determination in promoting unity and brotherhood so that they could achieve greater success in life, he added.

The Deputy Prime Minister called on all Muslims to play their part in strengthening Muslim unity.

"If Muslims are disunited, they will be weak and will eventually lose their power of ruling the country," he said.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir added that a strong and united Muslim society would ensure them of better conditions for fulfilling Muslim religious obligations.