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KUALA LUMPUR, JULY 3 (BERNAMA) -- (DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD) TODAY DIRECTED GOVERNMENT LEADERS FROM MINISTERS DOWN TO OFFICERS TO KNOW THE PROBLEMS OF THEIR DEPARTMENTS IN MORE DEPTH AND DETAIL.

THEY SHOULD APPLY THEIR MENTAL AND PHYSICAL RESOURCES TO OVERCOMING PROBLEMS HAMPERING REALISATION OF THE CONCEPT OF A CLEAN, EFFICIENT AND TRUSTWORTHY ADMINISTRATION.

OPENING THE 30TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE MIC HERE, THE PRIME MINISTER SAID IT COULD BE DIFFICULT FOR A MINISTER OR OFFICER TO HAVE AN INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE OF PROBLEMS PLAUGING HIS DEPARTMENT IF HE CLOSETED HIMSELF IN HIS OFFICE AND WAS CONCERNED ONLY WITH HIS VIP STATUS.

SUCH LEADERS COULD NOT RECOGNISE PROBLEMS NOR HOPE TO SOLVE THEM IF THEY INSISTED ON PRIORITY TREATMENT ALL THE WAY AND WERE UNWILLING TO USE SERVICES AND FACILITIES PROVIDED FOR THE ORDINARY PUBLIC.

+WE CAN NEVER HOPE TO ELIMINATE PROBLEMS IF WE DIVORCE OURSELVES FOR THE SYSTEM IMPLEMENTED FOR THE PEOPLE WHILE AT THE SAME TIME PROFESSING TO PROMOTE THE CAUSE OF THE MAN-IN-THE-STREET. + MORE 1231/MK

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DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR STRESSED IT WAS THE GOVERNMENT'S AIM TO DEVELOP THE BEST SYSTEM TO PROVIDE THE BEST SERVICE, NOT JUST FOR VIPs BUT ALSO FOR KALL THE PEOPLE.

HE WARNED THAT ANYONE IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE FOUND CREATING HIS OWN SYSTEM WOULD BE REGARDED AS AN ENEMY TO THE CONCEPT OF A CLEAN, EFFICIENT AND TRUSTWORTHY GOVERNMENT.

HE SAID THE PEOPLE SHOULD FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONCEPT AND MAKE IT PART OF THEIR LIFE VALUES.

ACCORDING TO HIM, A SYSTEM COULD BE JEOPARDISED IF THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO EXPLOIT THE STRUCTURE FOR THEIR OWN INTERESTS WITHOUT REGARD FOR THE RIGHTS OR FEELINGS OF OTHERS.

HE SPOKE ABOUT SOME PEOPLE, INCLUDING PARTY SUPPORTERS, WHO REGARDED THEMSELVES AS EXEMPTED FROM REGULATIONS AND RULES AND WHO EXPECTED SPECIAL SERVICE EVERY TIME FROM GOVERNMENT OFFICERS ON DUTY.

"THERE ARE ALSO OTHERS WHO ARE SO ARROGANT OVER THEIR POSITION THAT THEY ARE WILLING TO BREAK THE REGULATIONS INCLUDING TRAFFIC LAWS." -- MORE 1320/MS

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HE SAID EVERYONE SHOULD COOPERATE TO FACILITATE REALISATION OF THE CLEAN, EFFICIENT AND TRUSTWORTHY CONCEPT AND SHOULD BE PROUD OF THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE CAUSE.

ON INCREASED PRODUCTIVITY, HE SAID THE WHOLE GOVERNMENT SYSTEM MUST GIVE PRIORITY TO ECONOMISING IN ALL MATTERS AND AVOID WASTAGE, WHETHER IN TERMS OF EXPENDITURE, UTILISATION OF EQUIPMENT OR OUTPUT OF EFFORTS.

"WE WANT ONLY GOOD PRACTICES TO BECOME OUR WAY OF LIFE AS AN HONOURED AND RESPECTED PEOPLE."

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR EMPHASISED ON THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING A HIGH LEVEL OF QUALITY AND ACHIEVEMENT, SAYING THAT IN THE MODERN WORLD, PRODUCTIVITY OR SERVICE THAT WAS NOT UP TO PAR WOULD NOT BRING THE COUNTRY ANYWHERE.

"THAT IS WHY WE WANT A HIGH LEVEL OF PRODUCTIVITY, A HIGH STANDARD OF WORK PERFORMANCE AND ZERO WASTAGE," HE ADDED.

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"TO ACHIEVE ALL THIS, WE NEED TO HAVE A POSITIVE ATTITUDE, AN ATTITUDE THAT WILL BECOME THE NEW DISCIPLINE OF MALAYSIANS IRRESPECTIVE OF RACE AND CREED."

THE PRIMARY FACTOR IN GAINING THIS OBJECTIVE WAS MOTIVATION.

"WE MUST CHANGE OUR ATTITUDE IN SPITE OF EFFORTS OF SOME GROUPS TO CONFUSE US WITH NARROW POLITICS AND VOTE-FISHING PLOYS," HE SAID.

THE PRIME MINISTER REMINDED ALL BARISAN NASIONAL COMPONENT PARTIES THAT HAPPINESS COULD NOT BE SECURED WITHOUT SOME FORM OF SACRIFICE AND THAT THE NOBLEST SACRIFICE WAS THE SACRIFICE MADE FOR THE FUTURE OF THE COUNTRY. -- BERNAMA 1328/MB