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KUALA LUMPUR, JUNE 1, (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY THE GOVERNMENT WAS STRIVING TO LAY A STRONGER FOUNDATION FOR MORE BALANCED, PROSPEROUS, PROGRESSIVE AND DIGNIFIED NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

"CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE TO UPGRADE THE CAPABILITY OF THE COUNTRY FOR MORE RAPID DEVELOPMENT," HE SAID IN HIS LOYALTY PLEDGE TO THE YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG AT THE INVESTITURE CEREMONY AT STANA NEGARA ON THE OCCASION OF THE YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG'S 53RD BIRTHDAY.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID THE LOOK EAST POLICY AND THE CONCEPT OF MALAYSIA INCORPORATED WERE AIMED AT POOLING THE RESOURCES AND RAISING THE LEVEL OF PRODUCTIVITY IN ALL SECTORS.

EFFORTS WERE ALSO BEEN MADE TO STRENGTHEN FURTHER THE GOVERNMENT MACHINERY SO THAT NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE CARRIED OUT IN A MORE ORDERLY AND EFFECTIVE MANNER.

"I AM CONFIDENT THAT WITH THE SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT OF EVERY ONE, THE PROJECTS NOW BEING CARRIED OUT WILL BENEFIT THE PEOPLE AND COUNTRY NOT ONLY IN THE SHORT TERM BUT ALSO IN THE LONG TERM," HE SAID.

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DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID MALAYSIA WAS MOST FORTUNATE AS IT HAD VARIOUS NATURAL RESOURCES AND WITH THE EFFORTS OF THE GOVERNMENT AND THE SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT OF THE PEOPLE, THE COUNTRY HAD EMERGED AS A COUNTRY WITH POTENTIAL AMONG THE DEVELOPING NATIONS.

HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT MALAYSIA WOULD CONTINUE TO BE PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS THE STANDARDS OF LIVING OF THE PEOPLE AND NATIONAL RESILIENCE INCREASE.

THE PRIME MINISTER PLEDGED THAT HE AND THE MINISTERS AND DEPUTY MINISTERS AND ALL GOVERNMENT SERVANTS WOULD CONTINUE TO PERFORM THEIR DUTIES WITH COMMITMENT FOR THE PROSPERITY, SECURITY AND WELL-BEING OF THE PEOPLE AND THE COUNTRY. -- BERNAMA