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KUALA LUMPUR, DEC. 2 (BERNAMA) -- (DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY HE IS CONFIDENT OF THE EVENTUAL SUCCESS OF GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO RESOLVE THE CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT ISSUE.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THE GOVERNMENT WAS MAKING EVERY EFFORT TO OVERCOME THE PROBLEM.

IN A SPECIAL STATEMENT TO THE DEWAN RAKYAT, HE EXPRESSED REGRET THAT SOME IRRESPONSIBLE QUARTERS HAD SEIZED THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLOIT THE ISSUE AND CREATE CONFUSION AMONG THE PEOPLE.

+HOWEVER, THE GOVERNMENT IS DOING ALL IT CAN TO RESOLVE THE PROBLEM. GOD WILLING, IT WILL SUCCEED EVENTUALLY,+ HE ADDED.

HE EXPLAINED THAT HE WAS REPORTING THE MATTER TO PARLIAMENT BECAUSE THE CABINET FELT IT WAS ITS RESPONSIBILITY TO SEE THAT HE DID SO.

+THIS IS WHY I AM REPORTING THE DEVELOPMENTS TO THE HONOURABLE MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT TODAY+, HE SAID. -- MORE 1853/OM

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EARLIER, THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THE CONSTITUTION AMENDMENT ACT WAS THE ONLY ONE OF EIGHT ACTS APPROVED BY THE DEWAN RAKYAT IN JULY AND THE DEWAN NEGARA LATER THAT HAD YET TO RECEIVE THE ROYAL ASSENT.

THE ACT WHICH HAD RECEIVED THE ROYAL ASSENT ARE THE PATENTS ACT 1983, THE NATIONAL LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (DISSOLUTION) ACT 1983, THE LEGAL PROFESSION (AMENDMENT) ACT 1983, THE PENSION ADJUSTMENT (AMENDMENT) ACT 1983, THE FEDERAL LAND COMMISSIONER (AMENDMENT) ACT 1983, THE NATIONAL PARKS (AMENDMENT) ACT 1983 AND THE PROBATE AND ADMINISTRATION (AMENDMENT) ACT 1983.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID THE SEVEN ACTS WERE ASSENTED TO THE TIMBALAN YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG WHO WAS CARRYING OUT THE DUTIES OF THE YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG AS HIS MAJESTY WAS STILL INDISPOSED. -- BERNAMA 1856/OM