

MAHATHIR-UMNO

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ALOR STAR, DEC. 25 (BERNAMA) ²² - UMNO PRESIDENT DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY THAT ALTHOUGH UMNO CHAMPIONS THE INTERESTS OF THE MALAYS, IT ALSO TAKES INTO CONSIDERATION THE PROGRESS OF THE OTHER COMMUNITIES IN THE COUNTRY.

AS THE COUNTRY'S PRINCIPAL FORUM OF POLITICS, UMNO WAS ALSO AWARE ECONOMIC IMBALANCE BETWEEN THE BUMIPUTERAS AND THE NON-BUMIPUTERAS STILL EXISTED, HE ADDED.

OPENING THE JERAI UMNO DIVISION BUILDING AT GUAR CHEMPEDAK, 32 KM FROM HERE, THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THE UMNO STRUGGLE SHOULD BE A CONTINUOUS PROCESS FOR DEVELOPMENT AND NOT JUST FOR ELECTION SEASONS ONLY.

HE REMINDED THE PEOPLE THAT THEY COULD NOT HOPE TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS IF THEY DID NOT PUT IN THE EFFORT OF IF THEY WERE TOTALLY DEPENDENT ON GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE.

IN THIS CONNECTION, IT WAS ESSENTIAL FOR THE PEOPLE TO ACCEPT AND ADJUST TO INNOVATIONS IN INDUSTRY, AGRICULTURE AND OTHER FIELDS. -- MORE 1955/ZI

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HE ALSO SAID THE GOVERNMENT HAD CARRIED OUT VARIOUS EFFORTS TO HELP FARMERS AND RUBBER SMALLHOLDERS IMPROVE THEIR INCOMES.

IT SPENT '300 MILLION ON PROVISION OF IRRIGATION TO PADI GROWING AREAS UNDER THE FOURTH MALAYSIA PLAN.

HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT AN ECONOMIC SYSTEM OF PADI CULTIVATION, SUCH AS THE COLLECTIVE PADI FARMING SCHEME, WOULD BOOST PADI PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY.

ON THE CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS, DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR SAID THE RECENT CONTROVERSY WAS AN EYE-OPENER TO THE PEOPLE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SPIRIT OF STRUGGLE AND UNITY.

HE WAS HAPPY THAT THE SOLID RALLYING TO THE CAUSE BY THE PEOPLE HAD ENABLED THE GOVERNMENT TO RESOLVE THE ISSUE SUCCESSFULLY.

EARLIER, THE PRIME MINISTER AND DATUK SERI DATIN PADUKA DR. SITI HASMAH WERE GIVEN A TRADITIONAL MALAY WELCOME ON ARRIVAL AT GUAR CHEMPEDAK. -- MORE 2020/ZI

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THEY WERE ACCOMPANIED TO THE UMNO BUILDING GROUNDS BY AN ESCORT OF BUNGA MANGGAR BEARERS.

THE HEAD OF THE JERAI UMNO YOUTH DIVISION, ENCIK ABDUL RAZAK HUSSEIN, LATER LED ABOUT 2,000 MEMBERS OF THE DIVISION IN PLEDGING LOYALTY TO THE PARTY LEADERSHIP AND THE COUNTRY.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR ALSO CUT YELLOW PULUT IN CONJUNCTION WITH HIS 58TH BIRTHDAY WHICH FELL ON DEC. 20.

ALSO PRESENT AT THE CEREMONY WERE THE HEAD OF THE JERAI UMNO DIVISION, DATUK HAJI ABDULLAH ISMAIL AND STATE AND DIVISION LEVEL UMNO LEADERS. -- BERNAMA 2022/ZI