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KOTA KINABALU, FEB. 14 (BERNAMA) -- THE SUCCESS OF INTEGRATING THE PEOPLE AND STRENGTHENING UNITY AMONG THE VARIOUS RACES IN THE COUNTRY DEFENDS ON YOUTH LEADERS OF POLITICAL PARTIES, DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY.

-HE SAID THIS IN A MESSAGE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 'FOUR-DAY WORK CAMP FOR 250 MEMBERS OF YOUTH WINGS OF UMNO, THE PARTI PESAKA BUMIPUTERA BERSATU (PBB) AND BERJAYA TO' SE HELD IN KENINGAU NEAR HERE FROM SUNDAY.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT 'YOUTH AND NATIONAL INTEGRATION' WORK CAMPS SHOULD BE WELCOMED NOT ONLY BY POLITICAL PARTIES BUT ALSO THE PEOPLE.

'THROUGH WORK CAMPS, WE WILL BE ABLE TO CONSOLIDATE OUR ENERGIES, THOUGHT AND VIEWS OF THE YOUTH IN SABAH AND THEIR COUNTERPARTS IN SARAWAK AND THE PENINSULA TOWARDS CONSTRUCTIVE INTEGRATION,' HE SAID.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR WHO IS UMNO PRESIDENT, SAID THAT SUCH INTEGRATION WOULD HELP THE YOUTH PLAY THEIR ROLE IN CREATING A UNITED AND STRONG NATION. -- MORE 2010/MK

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HE SAID WORK CAMPS WOULD ALSO UNDEARTH TALENTED YOUTH LEADERS CAPABLE OF UNITING THE PEOPLE OF ALL RACES AND ALL WALKS OF LIFE.

IN HIS MESSAGE, BERJAYA PRESIDENT AND SABAH CHIEF MINISTER DATUK HARRIS SALCEH SAID SABAH HAD FOR A LONG TIME EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO STEP UP NATIONAL INTEGRATION TO PROJECT THE TRUE-MALAYSIAN IDENTITY.

HE SAID EFFORTS TOWARDS THIS END UNDERTAKEN BY THE STATE GOVERNMENT ON ITS OWN INITIATIVE HAD SECURED RECOGNITION AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL.

HE BELIEVED THAT THE WORK CAMP WOULD BRING ABOUT POSITIVE RESULTS IN EFFORTS TO EXPEDITE THE ACHIEVEMENT OF NATIONAL INTEGRATION AND UNITY.

DATUK SERI DR. MAHATHIR WILL OPEN THE WORK CAMP AND DATUK HARRIS WILL OFFICIATE THE CLOSING CEREMONY.

AMONG THOSE WHO WILL 'TABLE WORKING PAPERS' AT THE WORK CAMP ARE MINISTER IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT AND PARTI BERJAYA DEPUTY PRESIDENT DATUK DR. JAMES ONGKILI, CULTURE, YOUTH AND SPORTS MINISTER AND UMNO YOUTH PRESIDENT ANWAR IBRAHIM AND BERJAYA YOUTH CHIEF HAJI YAHYA LAMPONG. -- BERNAMA 2015/MK