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MELAKA, FEB 28 (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD IS NOT A DICTATOR BUT AN OPEN-MINDED LEADER WHO IS ABLE TO ACCEPT CRITICISMS.

THE IMPRESSION BEING CREATED BY CERTAIN PEOPLE THAT HE IS A DICTATOR IN ADMINISTRATION IS NOT TRUE, UMNO YOUTH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER MOHAMED NAZRI TAN SRI ABDUL AZIZ TOLD BERNAMA AFTER OPENING THE UMNO KOTA MELAKA DIVISIONAL YOUTH DELEGATES MEETING HERE TODAY.

HE DESCRIBED THE PRIME MINISTER AS A FIRM AND COURAGEOUS LEADER.

HE SAID THERE WAS A GROUP WHICH TRIED TO DISPUTE HIS AUTHORITY OUT OF SHEER ENVY FOR HIS LEADERSHIP ABILITIES.

IN HIS SPEECH, HE CALLED ON UPPER ECHELEON LEADERS TO CORRECT THEMSELVES SO THAT THERE WOULD NOT BE ANY CONFUSION AMONG THE LOWER LEVELS OF LEADERSHIP AND A RESULTANT LOSS OF FAITH. -- MORE
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HE SAID UPPER ECHELEON LEADERS WERE GOOD AT BRANDISHING UNITY SLOGANS WHILE THEY FOUGHT AMONG THEMSELVES.

ALTHOUGH THE ELECTION OF LEADERS IN UMNO WAS NORMAL PRACTICE, HE SAID THAT EACH TIME THERE WAS AN ELECTION, THERE AROSE PROBLEMS AND INFIGHTING AMONG LEADERS. -- BERNAMA
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