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KUALA LUMPUR, MARCH 22<sup>90</sup> (BERNAMA) -- MUSEUM NEGARA TODAY PUT UP FOR PUBLIC VIEWING THE NATION'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN VARIOUS FIELDS OVER THE LAST DECADE ESPECIALLY THE PERIOD UNDER THE STEWARDSHIP OF DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD.

+THE 80'S - A MAGNIFICENT DECADE+ EXHIBITION WHICH WOULD LAST UNTIL MIDDLE OF MAY, DISPLAYED, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE COUNTRY'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN ADMINISTRATION, SPORTS, TOURISM, HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.

CULTURE AND TOURISM MINISTER DATUK SABBARUDDIN CHIK WHO OPENED THE EXHIBITION TODAY SAID THE BARISAN NASIONAL GOVERNMENT UNDER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR WAS ALWAYS MINDFUL OF THE NEED TO IMPROVE THE LOT OF THE PEOPLE.

IT WAS GUIDED BY THE DETERMINATION TO MAKE MALAYSIA A PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS NATION RESPECTED BY THE WORLD, HE SAID.

OVER THE LAST DECADE, THE GOVERNMENT HAD NOT ONLY STRIVED TO IMPROVE PERFORMANCE IN TERMS OF PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION BUT HAD ALSO BOLDLY AND PRUDENTLY VENTURED INTO NEW FIELDS INCLUDING HEAVY INDUSTRIES, HE SAID.-- MORE  
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THE EXHIBITION FOCUSED ON THE SUCCESSES OF A GOVERNMENT ELECTED BY THE PEOPLE AND LED BY A PRIME MINISTER OF HIGH ESTEEM WHO HAD THE PEOPLES' INTERESTS AT HEART, HE SAID.

DATUK SABBARUDDIN SAID THE ACHIEVEMENTS WERE UNPRECEDENTED AND CAME ABOUT FOLLOWING INNOVATIVE APPROACHES ADOPTED IN GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION.

+IT IS NATURAL FOR THE PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH POLITICAL INTERESTS, NOT TO READILY ACCEPT CHANGE,+ HE SAID.

FOR EXAMPLE, HE SAID, MANY HAD RIDICULED THE GOVERNMENT WHEN IT FIRST VENTURED INTO HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND MANUFACTURED THE NATIONAL CAR, PROTON SAGA.

HOWEVER THE GOVERNMENT HAD PREVAILED AND TODAY, PROTON SAGA IS NOT ONLY THE NATION'S BEST SELLING CAR BUT HAD PENETRATED THE EXPORT MARKET WITHIN FOUR YEARS OF PRODUCTION, HE SAID.

MUSEUM NEGARA DIRECTOR-GENERAL DATUK SHAHRUM YUB SAID THE EXHIBITION IS DIVIDED INTO MAJOR SEGMENTS HIGHLIGHTING THE CHANGE SUCCESSFULLY INTRODUCED BY DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR INCLUDING WORK ETHICS AND IN THE FIELDS OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES, TOURISM AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS. -- BERNAMA  
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