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KUALA LUMPUR, AUG 21 (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD TONIGHT SAID THAT THE GOVERNMENT DOES NOT WISH TO CURB THE PRACTICE OF THE CULTURE AND LANGUAGE OF ANY COMMUNITY IN THE COUNTRY.

HE SAID THAT MALAYSIA WAS A COUNTRY WHICH PRACTISED TOLERANCE AND THE PEOPLE IN THE MULTI-RACIAL SOCIETY WERE FREE TO PRACTISE THEIR RESPECTIVE CULTURE.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THIS WHEN OPENING A CULTURAL SHOW AND LION AND DRAGON DANCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 55TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KHENG THUNG LOK CULTURAL TROUPE AND VISIT MALAYSIA YEAR 1990 AT STADIUM NEGARA HERE.

AT THE FUNCTION, DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR RELEASED A BALLOON WHICH CARRIED A BANNER WITH THE SLOGAN +BAPA PEMBANGUNAN DAN KEMAJUAN -- DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD+ (FATHER OF DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS -- DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD).

ALSO PRESENT WERE MCA PRESIDENT DATUK SERI DR LING LIONG SIK, GERAKAN PRESIDENT DATUK SERI DR LIM KENG YAIK, INFORMATION MINISTER DATUK MOHAMED RAHMAT AND WELFARE SERVICES MINISTER DATUK MUSTAFFA MOHAMED. -- BERNAMA
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