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BANDAR DARULAMAN, SEPT 20⁹⁰ (BERNAMA) -- PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD TODAY ADVISED CIVIL SERVANTS AGAINST RESORTING TO AN EASY WAY OF ACQUIRING WEALTH FAST.

+THERE IS NO WAY OF ACQUIRING WEALTH EXCEPT THROUGH HARD WORK, HONESTY AND SINCERITY. MAYBE (IN THIS WAY) WE WILL NOT BE THAT RICH BUT WE WILL BE SECURE,+ HE SAID AT A MEETING AND DIALOGUE WITH GOVERNMENT OFFICERS AT THE DEWAN MUADZAM SHAH OF THE UNIVERSITI UTARA MALAYSIA DARULAMAN CAMPUS HERE.

WEALTH ACQUIRED FAST WOULD NOT BE SECURE, HE ADDED.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR ALSO ADVISED THOSE WHO WANTED TO BECOME RICH QUICK NOT TO BLAME ANYONE IF THEY LANDED IN TROUBLE.

+IF WE ADHERE TO THE PRINCIPLE THAT WEALTH IS THE RESULT OF HARD WORK, WE WILL BE SECURE. PERHAPS, WE CAN BE MILLIONAIRES. VARIOUS TRIALS AND CHALLENGES (HAVE TO BE FACED) BEFORE WE CAN ACHIEVE THIS,+ HE SAID. -- MORE

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THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT IF ALL THE PEOPLE WERE HONEST, SINCERE AND DID NOT RESORT TO CHEATING, MALAYSIA WOULD BE ABLE TO DEVELOP TO THE STATUS OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES.

HE ALSO SAID THAT THE PEOPLE SHOULD TAKE PRIDE IN MALAYSIA'S ACHIEVEMENTS WHICH HAD TAKEN IT TO FIFTH POSITION AMONG THE 135 DEVELOPING COUNTRIES OF THE WORLD.

HE SAID MALAYSIA COULD IMPROVE ON THESE ACHIEVEMENTS, AND ADDED THAT HE BELIEVED THE PEOPLE WERE CAPABLE OF MAKING THIS POSSIBLE.

ON THE GULF CRISIS, DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID HE WAS SAD THAT MUSLIMS WERE FIGHTING ONE ANOTHER.

+MUSLIMS ARE BROTHERS. ANY DISPUTE SHOULD BE RESOLVED THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS,+ HE SAID. -- BERNAMA

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