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KUALA LUMPUR, OCT 10 (BERNAMA) -- THE COMMONWEALTH AND THE WORLD BANK HAVE HIGHLY COMMENDED THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE GOVERNMENT'S ADMINISTRATIVE MACHINERY, PRIME MINISTER DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR MOHAMAD SAID TODAY.

THE CIVIL SERVICE'S IMPROVED PERFORMANCE WAS MENTIONED IN THE RULING PARTY'S MANIFESTO FOR THE COMING GENERAL ELECTION, HE SAID.

FEDERAL MINISTRIES AND DEPARTMENTS HAVE EASED SEVERAL REGULATIONS FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR ESPECIALLY INVESTORS DEALING WITH PUBLIC AGENCIES, HE SAID WHEN LAUNCHING +KHIDMAT+, AN OFFICIAL MAGAZINE OF THE CIVIL SERVICE AT THE PUTRA WORLD TRADE CENTRE HERE.

HE SAID EACH MEMBER OF THE CIVIL SERVICE SHOULD BE PROUD OF ITS ACHIEVEMENTS SO FAR AND THIS SHOULD MOTIVATE THEM TO IMPROVE PRODUCTIVITY AND SERVICE.

+KHIDMAT+, A BI-MONTHLY, IS JOINTLY PUBLISHED BY THE MALAYSIAN ADMINISTRATIVE MODERNISATION AND MANAGEMENT PLANNING UNIT (MAMPU) OF THE PRIME MINISTER'S DEPARTMENT AND BERITA PUBLISHING SDN. BHD. -- MORE

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DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR SAID MORE COULD BE DONE TO ATTAIN A LEVEL OF CIVIL SERVICE PRODUCTIVITY AND PERFORMANCE TO MEET THE NATION'S EXPECTATIONS.

+THE GOVERNMENT IS COMMITTED TO IMPROVING THE ENTIRE PUBLIC SERVICE ESPECIALLY THAT REQUIRED BY THE PEOPLE,+ HE SAID.

AMONG THE MEASURES ADOPTED TOWARDS THIS END WERE GREATER AUTOMATION OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, STUDIES AND REDUCTION OF RED TAPE AND TRAINING OF CIVIL SERVANTS.

THE PRIME MINISTER ALSO SPOKE OF ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GOVERNMENT'S MALAYSIA INCORPORATED AND PRIVATISATION POLICIES.

HE SAID ALTHOUGH IN SPIRIT, THE MALAYSIA INCORPORATED POLICY WAS NOT EARNESTLY APPLIED BY EACH CIVIL SERVANT AND PRIVATE SECTOR WORKER, THOSE SERVING AGENCIES DEALING WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR HAVE ACCEPTED THE CONCEPT.-- MORE

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+MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE REALISING THAT AN ADVANCED AND DYNAMIC PRIVATE SECTOR BENEFITS NOT ONLY THE NATIONAL ECONOMY AND WELFARE BUT THE CIVIL SERVICE AS WELL,+ HE SAID.

THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THE PUBLICATION OF THE MAGAZINE ITSELF SHOWED THAT THE MALAYSIA INCORPORATED CONCEPT WAS PRACTICABLE PROVIDED THERE WAS COMMITMENT AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND THE PRIVATE SECTORS.

DATUK SERI DR MAHATHIR WAS CONFIDENT THAT +KHIDMAT+, WHICH EXPLAINS ABOUT POLICIES RELATED TO ADMINISTRATION, MANAGEMENT AND NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT WOULD CATER FOR THE NEEDS OF THE VARIOUS SECTORS WANTING INDEPTH INFORMATION ABOUT GOVERNMENT MATTERS.

ABOUT 25,000 COPIES OF THE FIRST EDITION OF +KHIDMAT+ HAVE BEEN PRINTED AND SOLD AT \$4.50 EACH. -- BERNAMA