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MELAKA, April 1 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has directed all state governments to set up skills development centres to produce more skilled industrial manpower, Chief Minister Tan Sri Haji Abdul Rahim Tamby Chik said today.

He said the directive was given at the meeting of menteri besar and chief ministers in Kuala Lumpur on Saturday.

The training provided at these centres must be such that it enabled the trainees to obtain jobs in the required sectors, he said at the secondment of officers from the Melaka State Development Corporation (PKNM) to its subsidiaries, near here.

He said existing industrial centres and institutes did not provide courses designed to meet the needs of the nation and industrial sector, which resulted in many trainees not getting employed. Even if they were employed, they had to be retrained in the areas their management required of them. -- more

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Tan Sri Rahim said Melaka would set up a skills development centre, adding that a special committee would be established to help set it up.

He also said that at their meeting the menteri besar and chief ministers discussed the possibility of setting up companies to administer industrial and housing estates in the country. At present, the maintenance of such sites was handled by local authorities.

Tan Sri Haji Abdul Rahim said the state government had appointed an auditing firm to check on all financial matters pertaining to the PKNM.

He said the auditors could identify weaknesses and immediate action could be taken to rectify them. -- Bernama

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