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ATTN EDITORS: Correction

In item E320 slugged +Mahathir-perks+ pls read para four as ... would immediately receive... RPT... would immediately receive... and not as sent earlier. Herewith corrected rptn.

NEW PERKS FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 12 (Bernama) -- The waiting period for emplacement into the pensionable scheme for government servants has been reduced from 10 years to three years, according to the New Remuneration System announced by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today.

The government would also allow staff who had been medically boarded out to rejoin the service after they had recovered fully from their illness and were certified fit by doctors, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said.

He said the requirement to pass the Government General Examination for government staff would be replaced by an induction course while the pension benefit would be retained and those who opt for retirement at the age of 40 would immediately receive gratuities and payment in lieu of casual leave.

In line with the concept of a caring society, he said that the government would provide facilities for medical treatment to parents of government employees.

The government would also provide expenses for the burial of government employees who died while in service, he said. -- more

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Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said from Jan 1 next year, government employees would also be entitled to three days' leave during their wives' confinement to look after their children.

He said loan facility to buy computers would also be introduced to encourage government employees to use computers and facilities to become members of recreation clubs would also be made available to those who qualified.

The Prime Minister said refund on parking fees would be made to officers and staff who had to use their own vehicles while performing their duties. -- Bernama

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