

Focus on studies, Dr M tells students

ALOR STAR, Wed. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today re-
munity students not to waste the rakyat's funds by giving less priority to their studies.

Dr Mahathir said university students should realise that the funds used to pay for their studies came from the taxpayers.

"The students should repay the kindness of the rakyat by giving priority to their studies and not on matters that will affect their studies," he said.

The Prime Minister was speaking at a dinner organised by Universiti Sains Malaysia undergraduates here tonight in conjunction with the university's undergraduate foster programme.

Dr Mahathir said the students must adopt a sense of responsibility to the rakyat and the nation and not spend their time on activities that are not worthwhile.

"If there are students thinking of meddling in the country's administration, they should forget about it and join politics after their graduation."

Dr Mahathir acknowledged that the present university students had displayed a high sense of responsibility compared to students in the '70s.

"In those days, the university students ignored their responsibilities to the rakyat by spending most of their time staging demonstrations," he said.

"Fortunately, that generation of students does not exist today and our students are more responsible to the society and the nation."