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PROVIDE MORE INFORMATION ON THE COUNTRY'S SUCCESS, SAYS MAHATHIR
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KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 30 (Bernama) -- More information on Malaysia's achievements, both locally and abroad, should be made available to the public to thwart attempts by certain foreign media which give false information on the nation's success, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said tonight.

The Prime Minister said that with more modern information and telecommunication technologies made available to the public, they could easily get access to foreign information, which are sometimes not true.

+So, we must be able to give (true) information which will counter their (the foreign media) reports, + he said in an interview carried live over RTM's national network here. The interview was conducted by Director-General of Broadcasting Datuk Jaafar Kamin.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir commended RTM for reactivating its Mobile Radio Broadcasting Unit which could provide up-to-date information to the people, especially the rural folk.

Asked about his hopes for the new year, he said the nation must progress and to achieve this the people should work together, instilling harmony and unity. -- more

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+I hope the public will take advantage of the country's economic and political stability by working hard to further advance themselves and the country, + he said.

+Let us safeguard our nation's image and not be contended with what we have now, +

+As for me, I am happy that the nation has progressed tremendously within a short span of time, + he added.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir added that the government's various policies to bring about development had been well-accepted by all races:

The Prime Minister said 1991 was an eventful year for Malaysia as so many changes had occurred in all fields. -- more

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Earlier, the Prime Minister and Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali attended a concert, +Muzika Perdana+, telecast live from Angkasapuri here.

The concert paid tribute to Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir for bringing the country to the forefront in all fields, especially in the international arena.

The Prime Minister later presented +Setia+ badges to Datuk Jaafar and several RTM officials for their fine performance in their work. -- Bernama

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