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FAIR VALUATION FOR KAMPUNG BARU LAND

Mahathir-Kampung Baru

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KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 12 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today the government will conduct a fair valuation of the land in Kampung Baru here so that the value of the buildings to be constructed later will not be too high.

The Prime Minister said this was to ensure that the Malays could afford to buy or rent the houses and shops that would be built on the land in Kampung Baru.

+The basic land costs should be a fair one so that when we eventually build shops and houses there, the Malays could afford to own and rent them.

+If not, when we build the shops and houses, no Malays would want to stay there and all this would be futile,+ he told a press conference after chairing an Umno Supreme Council meeting here.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said: +It should be borne in mind that if the cost is too high, then we may not be able to resettle the Malays in the kampung. + -- more

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He also said that the government had not decided on the compensation to be paid to those whose land would be acquired. At this stage, the areas to be acquired by the government were being determined.

He said that there was actually no allocation to pay out the millions announced by Deputy Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Sulaiman Mohamad.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said that the government would determine those who should receive compensation and the amount to be paid out.

The Prime Minister said that the plan to acquire Kampung Baru land for development might not proceed if the cost was too high.

+If we do not have adequate funds then certainly we could not embark on whatever development and the project to develop Kampung Baru might be abandoned. -- more

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+If we do not have sufficient funds, Kampung Baru will remain the old Kampung Baru,+ he said.

On the proposal for a new TV network, the Prime Minister said that the Cabinet had not discussed the matter.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir also said that the Cabinet had not decided on the candidate for the post of managing director of Pos Malaysia Berhad.

He said that members of the public now complaining on the services of Pos Malaysia should allow some time for the newly-corporatised body to progress.

+The most important thing is that we should cooperate to develop Pos Malaysia,+ he said. -- Bernama

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