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MAHATHIR WANTS BUSINESSMEN TO VENTURE BEYOND MALAYSIA
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HANOI, April 20 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today reminded Malaysian businessmen to consider all means to achieve and sustain economic growth, including venturing beyond Malaysia's shores.

This was especially necessary in today's world which was characterised by dynamic changes, the Prime Minister said when he opened the representative office of Renong Berhad, here.,

He added that although the process of development in both Malaysia and Vietnam had been uneven, the desire for social and economic development stirring in both countries was not likely to subside or vanish.

To be successful they must venture beyond the country's borders and not hesitate to take the necessary risks, he said.

The Prime Minister said economic co-operation between Malaysia and Vietnam, based on differences in comparative advantage, held tremendous potential for mutual gain despite the minor problems likely to be faced at the initial stage. -- more

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+It is only natural that the initial period will be characterised by problems but if the private sector is willing to take the lead, the problem can be resolved to the benefit of all, he added.

Dr Mahathir said the different levels of economic growth and different natural assets and resources of Malaysia and Vietnam provided opportunities which beg to be explored.

It was for the Malaysian businessmen and entrepreneurs to use their creativity in partnership with their Vietnamese counterparts to exploit this vast potential, he added.

Renong has expressed interest in participating in the construction and hotel sectors, two areas of investment in its list of highly-diversified activities. -- Bernama

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