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ISLAM PREACHES PROGRESS, DEVELOPMENT FOR EXCELLENCE, SAYS DR M

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KANGAR, Jan 3¹⁹³ (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad says Islam requires its followers to achieve progress and development for excellence in this life and the hereafter.

In his message in the souvenir booklet for the 35th National Quran-Reading Competition he will open here tomorrow, he said Muslims could achieve progress and development if they were determined in their efforts.

The competition, to be held over four days, carries the theme +Wawasan Memajukan Ummah+ (Vision Ensures Progress of the Ummah).

Dr Mahathir said Muslims could achieve success by studying and practising fully the teachings of the Quran.

He said the competition was very meaningful at a time when the government was striving to develop the Muslim community in accordance with the objective of Vision 2020 to make Malaysia a developed nation in 30 years.

Public Enterprises Minister Datuk Dr Yusof Nor, in his message, said Muslims could achieve excellence in various fields if they fully implemented the teachings of the Quran and Sunnah. -- Bernama

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