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MALAYSIA HAS DEMONSTRATED ITS COMMITMENT IN FIGHT AGAINST DADAH

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept. 20⁹³ (Bernama) -- Malaysia's commitment to achieving a dadah-free society has been amply demonstrated by its declaration and firmer action, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said.

The Prime Minister said the government would continue to play its part in the global effort to combat the dadah menace consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the decade against dadah abuse.

It was important that Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) assist the government in its attempt to successfully implement its anti-dadah programme, he added.

"In order to ensure successful implementation of its programme, it is imperative that this stand be accompanied by collaborative effort of NGOs," he said in his message in conjunction with the 16th World Conference of Therapeutic Communities opened by Law Minister Datuk Syed Hamid Albar here today.

In this context, Dr Mahathir said, Pemadam's role has been commendable.

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He added: "Dadah abuse is not only an indignity to humankind but its effects are devastating and crippling.

"Hence, the therapeutic approach to this problem in terms of "the whole person in need of healing" is a concept worthy of consideration."

Dr Mahathir hoped the conference would further enhance the significance and worthiness of the therapeutic treatment philosophy. -- Bernama

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