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PM tells
Malaysians

MALACCA: Malaysians should learn from history to create an era that is modern and suited to the present world, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said yesterday.

The Prime Minister said the people should take a lesson from **Malacca's** glorious days because although "they (the government then) were glorious, they were still defeated by the Portuguese."

"We **don't** want to return to that time when we have already achieved independence," he said before opening the **Samudera** Museum, constructed in the belly of the ship, **Flor de la Mar**, a replica of the Portuguese galleon that sank while carrying treasures in 1512.