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TASK FORCE TO IMPROVE WATER AND POWER SUPPLY IN SABAH

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KOTA KINABALU, July 23 (Bernama) -- A task force will be set up to overcome the water and electricity supply problem in Sabah, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said tonight.

Although the supply had improved since the Barisan Nasional (BN) took over the state government four months ago, the situation was still unsatisfactory, he said.

"In several areas, water and electricity supply is inadequate," he told reporters after meeting Sabah BN leaders here.

Dr Mahathir said the meeting was called because he did not have the opportunity to meet the BN leaders since the recent entry of two new Sabah parties into the coalition's fold -- Parti Demokratik Sabah (PDS) and Parti Bersatu Rakyat Sabah (PBRSS).

Dr Mahathir said he reminded them of the BN concept and the importance of the component parties helping each other. -- more

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The meeting also discussed how Sabah could boost its revenue by tapping its resources to set up new industries, he said.

Dr Mahathir, who is BN chairman, expressed satisfaction with the level of development achieved under the BN government and said things had clearly improved.

"Investors are now more confident to come to Sabah and they are making efforts to develop the state, especially in tourism," he said.

Among those present at the meeting were Sabah Chief Minister Tan Sri Sakaran Dandai, who is Sabah BN chief, and BN Secretary-General Datuk Mohamed Rahmat, who is Information Minister. -- Bernama

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