

Remember leaders' contributions, says Dr M

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today called on Malaysians celebrating National Day to remember the contributions of the nation's leaders who had struggled to achieve independence for the nation.

He also reminded them of the sacrifices made by the

security forces to ensure peace and stability of the country.

Dr Mahathir, in his foreword address in the National Day souvenir book, said that to ensure continued peace, progress and prosperity the nation required the younger generation to have high morals and good values. He said many of the

present generation perhaps might not be able to see the nation achieve industrialised nation status by the year 2020.

However, Dr Mahathir said it was the responsibility of Malaysians to ensure that the younger generation was imbued with proper values and free from unhealthy practices which

could hinder them from achieving industrialised nation status.

"We need to build a generation of Malaysians who are disciplined, visionary and are knowledgeable to achieve Vision 2020.

"In line with this year's theme of *Jatidiri Penggerak Wawasan* (Our Identity — the Vision Mover) let us to-

gether build a national identity we can be proud of to achieve the aims of Vision 2020."

He urged all Malaysian citizens, regardless of their race, religion and culture, to remain united and to uphold harmony so that the society can continue to progress and live in peace and stability.