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ACQUIRE ADEQUATE KNOWLEDGE, PM ADVISES YOUTHS

PETALING JAYA, Sept 6 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has reminded youths, who will take over the country's leadership in future, to acquire adequate knowledge as knowledge is power.

As such, the Prime Minister urged them to equip themselves with various knowledge which would be useful for the interests of religion, race and country.

"Knowledge is power and this truth must be upheld firmly by youths in the country," he said in his message in the souvenir programme for a youth seminar, here.

As an agent of change to the society and country, he said youths must have positive qualities such as being creative, innovative, brave, discipline, hard working, responsible and committed as well as clean, efficient and trustworthy.

The message would be displayed at the Youth Museum, here.

Dewan Rakyat Speaker Tan Sri Mohamed Zahir Ismail, who opened the three-day seminar, said youths must be sensitive to the goings-on around the globe to help develop this country on par with developed nations.

He said youths aspiring to succeed must distant themselves from social ills like drug addiction, Aids and loafing.

"Those who are involved in social ills have dimmed their future and have become a burden to their families," he said.

He said the youth movement in the country could be the prime movers in initiating changes and fighting for the people's rights.

Seven working papers will be tabled in the seminar which is attended by more than 60 youths from various youth organisations and associations in the country.

Among those presenting the papers are World Assembly of Youth president Datuk Wira Mohd Ali Rustam, women social activists Datuk Zakiah Hanum Abdul Hamid and veteran journalist Tan Sri Abdul Samad Ismail. -- BERNAMA

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