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NO ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS FOR ISSUE OF CF, SAYS MAHATHIR

LANGKAWI, March 19 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today reminded state governments and local authorities that the issuance of certificates of fitness (CF) was not subject to conditions other than those stipulated by law.

He said other conditions like the requirement for housing developers to meet the 30 percent quota for bumiputera before they can be issued CF could not be accepted as it was not a condition stipulated by law.

"If there are conditions, other than those stipulated by law, it does not stop the issue of CF," he said when launching three eco-tourism projects here -- the Underwater World Langkawi aquarium, Langkawi Coral marine tour package and Zon Langkawi duty-free shop, here.

Dr Mahathir said a consequence of the additional condition was that completed buildings could not be occupied because there was no CF, resulting in the developer and buyers suffering losses.

The Cabinet has directed that CF be issued speedily to the owners if an inspection showed that the developers had complied with the stipulated conditions, he added. -- BERNAMA

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