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RELEASE EMPLOYEES TO ATTEND YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

KOTA KINABALU, June 27 (Bernama) -- The Federal Government has asked the private sector, heads of government department and agencies to release employees selected for the "Youth Leadership Programme 1996-2000."

Employers should not stop their workers who had been chosen to attend the programme to be launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Federal Youth and Sports Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said today.

"The programme should be considered as a training in character-moulding and humanities which should be supported by all," he said after opening the Sabah level Premier Leadership Convention here.

The convention attended by about 500 youths from various organisations was part of the briefings and information sessions on the Youth Leadership Programme.

Muhyiddin said youths with universal leadership talents and potential would be selected for the programme.

He said so far 800 of the 1,600 coaches for conducting the programme had already been trained at the 50 youth training centres in the country and they would in turn train youths selected for the Youth Leadership Programme.

He said the programme would be held in every state to reduce costs.

"In small states where participation will be small, it will be held only in one venue," he said.

The training module would be reviewed if necessary to include new features and methods, he added,

Speaking at the function, Muhyiddin urged youths to prepare themselves to face challenges so that they would not fall prey to moral decadence. --

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