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WANITA UMNO HAS IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY, SAYS DR MAHATHIR

KUALA LUMPUR, March 20 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said Wanita Umno's role is important in ensuring victory of the party especially during elections.

He said their tireless contribution to the party should be acknowledged by all party members.

Wanita Umno members were an effective lot when come to canvassing for votes, a task difficult for the male members to emulate, he said at the Wanita Umno dinner, "Malam Mawar Merah ke-3" at a hotel here.

Dr Mahathir, who is Umno President, said he believed the substantial part of the victory of the Barisan Nasional (BN) and Umno in general elections were due to the efforts contributed by Wanita Umno members.

Also present at the function were Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamad Ali and Wanita Umno Leader Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz.

He said Umno appreciated the efforts made by Wanita Umno to the party as such it did not hesitate to provide appropriate assistance to them.

During the function, Dr Mahathir and Dr Siti Hasmah raised about RM1 million for the Wanita Umno's Fund for their rendering of two Malay songs, "Di mana Suara Burung Kenari" and "Tanya Sama Hati".

Dr Siti Hasmah also made a solo rendering of "Bunga Semerak".

Dr Mahathir also thanked those who had donated to the fund. --BERNAMA

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