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MAHATHIR DISCLOSES HIS "YOUNG GOOD LOOK" RECIPE

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept T (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today offered a recipe for looking young always -- do not smoke, do not drink liquor and do not overeat.

"Firstly we also must look for parents who always look young," he teased when winding up the debate at the Umno General Assembly at the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) here.

"I do not smoke. Long time ago, I tried to smoke but after the Second World War, the price of cigarettes shot up. I tried the "kooa" cigarette."

"When the British returned after the War, they brought along "Rough Rider" and I bought and tried them out. Not nice.. and I thought why spend money on smoking something which is not nice. Later I realised that smoking can cause cancer."

He also said his mother had advised him not to overeat.

Dr Mahathir said he had no "secret recipe" for looking, what people considered, young.

The Prime Minister said he was 72-years-old now and not 71,

"This was because my late father registered my birth six months late," According to the birth registration he was born on Dec 20, 1926.

During the debate on his policy address, many delegates had asked him to disclose the recipe for looking young.

During a recent Q & A programme over CNN International, the Prime Minister who was the CNN guest, was also asked about his age.

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