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MALAY ENTREPRENEURS SHOULD VENTURE INTO MORE SOPHISTICATED FIELD

KUALA LUMPUR, April 16 (Bernama) -- The achievement of Malays in the economic field is something which one should take pride in but the time has come for them to venture into a more sophisticated field, said chairman of DRB-HICOM group, Datuk Mohd Saleh Sulong.

"Majority of them are involved in trade and not many venture into the technical field like the ability to develop the engineering field and to carry out research and development (R&D)," he told reporters after the launching of the Bumiputera Economic Achievement Expo at the Putra World Trade Centre by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today.

He said the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC) concept was also a form of field where Bumiputera could be as successful as other races.

"We do not lack expertise in this field and like everybody else, we also began at the same level," he added.

Saleh said capital was no longer an issue for the Malays to start business but he advised them to study the "in and out" of business before venturing into it.

He said even though the government played an important role in pioneering the advancement of the Malays, they should have confidence in themselves to be independent and to succeed without depending too much on the government. -- BERNAMA

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