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Dr M's opinions pertinent to younger generation, says Osu

KOTA KINABALU, Thurs. - Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's strong opinions on international matters are pertinent to the younger generation, who will one day take over the leadership of the country.

Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Osu Sukam said the younger generation should read the Prime Minister's speeches and understand his stand on many international issues.

"It is important that we get the perspective right to enable us to understand where we are heading," he said at the launch of a book, A Leader and His Leadership, a compilation of the Prime Minister's selected speeches.

The 480-page book with 40 speeches of the Prime Minister was compiled by Aziz Zariza Ahmad.

Also present were Minister of Special Functions Tun Daim Zainuddin, Deputy Chief Minister and Minister of Resource and Enterprise Datuk Joseph Kurup and State Cabinet Ministers.

Osu, who is also State Finance Minister, said the publication of the book was timely as Dr Mahathir's views had been the basis of national policies over the last several years.

He said Dr Mahathir's views on national development were equally firm and perceptive.

It is important that Malaysia, while being a democracy, evolves its own brand of affirmative actions to hasten economic growth," he said.

After the launch, Osu led State Umno leaders for a meeting with Daim, the Umno treasurer general.

It was learnt that matters related to the forthcoming State elections and the current economic situation were discussed at the one-hour meeting.

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