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ACCOUNTANTS MUST BE WELL TRAINED IN DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY, SAYS TAJOL

IPOH, Aug 22 (Bernama) -- Malaysian accountants could only play a key role in the coming fully digital age if they are well trained in all aspects of computer technology, said Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Tajol Rosli Ghazali.

"Without such training, you would not be able to account for or audit literally zillions of transaction that take place at lightning speed, in a paperless and borderless world," he said in his speech at the Malaysian Institute of Accountant (Perak Branch) 9th annual dinner here last night.

He said if the accountants were not well trained in such digital matters, the significance of their role in such a society would be greatly diminished, if not completely eliminated.

He also said accountants could give valuable input and contributions to the country's business atmosphere by maintaining or improving the economic and business systems.

"In such a role, accountants must show no fear or favor to ensure that we can achieve and uphold the national objectives of transparency, accountability and an impeccable standard of corporate governance," he said.

While urging local accountants to be the leader in their profession, Tajol said this could be achieved if they could adopt the "Malaysia Boleh" spirit which was promoted by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

"Be the leader not only in the country but also in the region and globally," he said.

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