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MAHATHIR MEETS, EXCHANGES VIEWS WITH YOUTH LEADERS

KUALA LUMPUR, May 10 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today met behind closed doors and exchanged views with leaders of youth organisations on current national issues at the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) here.

The meeting, organised by the Youth and Sports Ministry, was attended by more than 100 youth leaders, including from the Malaysian Youth Council, according to an officer of the ministry.

The minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin was also present.

The officer said the meeting was expected to discuss, among other things, the government's economic recovery measures and the current political situation.

Muhyiddin had reportedly said the ministry would carry on with the programme dubbed "Bela Negara" (in defence of the nation) to arouse patriotism among younger generation leaders and enlist their help to overcome the current economic woes.

Muhyiddin had said that the government would see to it that youths were not being made use of by elements out to sow anti-establishment sentiments and seeds of disunity.

The programme was designed, among other things, to inculcate responsibility towards the country, thrift, buy Malaysian and promote domestic tourism among youths.

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