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Equip yourselves with IT knowledge, Malays told

MALACCA, Wed. - It is important for Malays and Muslims to equip themselves with knowledge in Information Technology so that they will not be left behind in the era of modernisation.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said the Malays had succeeded in various fields and they have proven to be a race which could now compete with other races in the country.

Coloured skin, he said, did not bring any meaning.

"It is the will and spirit that can determine the fate of a race."

The Prime Minister's message is contained in the souvenir book of the Islamic and Malay World convention to be held from Oct 18 to Oct 21 at Seri Negeri, Ayer Keroh.

Representatives from several countries, including Indonesia, Philippines, Brunei, Thailand, Singapore, Madagascar, Australia, Egypt, Iraq, Sri Lanka, South Africa, Zimbabwe, Cambodia, Saudi Arabia, China, Taiwan, Kuwait, Pakistan and Bosnia are scheduled to attend the convention.

It is hosted by the State Government with the co-operation of the Malaysian Patriotism and Historical Studies Institute, Malacca Museums Corporation and Nasional Writers' Federation.

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