

Dr M's suggestion lauded

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PETALING JAYA: The move to incorporate the distance-learning concept in schools is a good way for teachers to better their skills and for rural students to gain access to technology-based education, said teachers' unions yesterday.

"Gone are the days when teachers just taught or supervised students.

"Today's children are well exposed, so teachers should upgrade their skills," said National Union of the Teaching

Profession (NUTP) president Tengku Habsah Tengku Petera, who welcomed the suggestion by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

She also called on the Government to ensure that rural schools also benefited from the distance-learning concept.

Smart school SMK Alam Shah principal Md. Yussof Othman lauded the move as a good progression to the smart school concept as it would make teachers' tasks easier.