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BE PROACTIVE TO ENLIGHTEN INDIAN COMMUNITY, DR M URGES TAMIL WRITERS

KUALA LUMPUR, May 26 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has urged Tamil writers to play a proactive role through their writings to instil awareness among the people on the importance of preserving peace and unity.

They could also make meaningful contributions to the country's prosperity and well-being through their works, he said in his foreword in the souvenir programme for the 2001 Tamil Writers Day organised by the Bharathidasan Association of Malaysia.

About 2,000 people, including leading Tamil writers, poets and speakers from Tamil Nadu, South India are attending the function at the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) here opened by MIC President Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu today.

Dr Mahathir congratulated the association headed by Datin Seri Indrani Samy Vellu for organising the function to honour Tamil writers and poets for their contributions to society.

Besides enhancing ties among local Tamil writers and poets, the annual event would also enable them to exchange ideas to produce quality works, he added.

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