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S'WAK HAS ACHIEVED TREMENDOUS SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, SAYS DR MAHATHIR

BINTULU, Dec 19 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today Sarawak has achieved tremendous socio-economic development in the last three years because of political stability.

Speaking at a news conference after opening the RM385 million Bintulu Airport, he said that at one time, Sabah was ahead of Sarawak but now Sarawak had overtaken that position.

"If you manage the economy well like the Sarawak government, you can achieve progress, but if you don't, you will regret it later," he said.

On the general election, Dr Mahathir said it was up to his successor when to hold it.

On another matter, he said the government would take action against foreigners who broke the law, referring to buildings of natural heritage torn down in Melaka by foreigners.

"I think they are being very insensitive. They don't appreciate something of value. They do this thing without asking the government," he said.

Dr Mahathir said action by such foreigners was really a misbehaviour but not all foreigners were like that.

He said there are foreigners who are totally sensitive to the national aspirations.

He also urged Malaysians to emulate the Koreans who have achieve much strides in extending their expertise overseas.

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