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CUEPACS WELCOMES DR MAHATHIR'S VIEWS

KUALA LUMPUR, May 4 (Bernama) -- Cuepacs has welcomed the views expressed by the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad that civil servants should think more about job satisfaction and their contributions to national development rather than keep on pressing for higher wages.

President of the Congress of Unions of Employees in the Public and Civil Services Datuk N Siva Subramaniam said trade unions should be more responsible and focus their attention on increasing productivity and work quality as the country was faced with various challenges.

"In the past six months, Cuepacs has played a positive role and focused on other issues rather than wage claims," he said.

"We must not be a group which only knows how to receive and not how to give," he told Bernama here.

He said this when commenting on the Prime Minister's views published in the Civil Service Newsletter "Khidmat" that civil servants should not always seek increased wages but should pause and consider increasing productivity and contributing to national development.

Siva said excellent service should be the motto of both employers and trade unions as this would contribute to national development.

Siva said the Prime Minister's views on the civil service would be conveyed to all public sector unions and would be the main item on the agenda of the Cuepacs Congress on May 29, in conjunction with Workers Day.

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