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GOOD MOVE TO INTRODUCE COURSES ON DR MAHATHIR'S THOUGHTS

KOTA BELUD, June 28 (Bernama) -- Umno Supreme Council member Datuk Salleh Tun Said today welcomed a proposal by Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) to incorporate the thoughts of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in the university's teaching and learning.

He said that there were much the people could learn from Dr Mahathir, whose thoughts touches many aspects of Malaysian life.

"Dr Mahathir's thoughts encompasses every aspects of life, from politics to economy, social to lifestyles and many others.... We are happy that UMS has made this proposal," he said.

Speaking to reporters after opening the district-level Teacher's Day here, he said that the move would enable the people especially the young generation to understand the Prime Minister's wisdom.

"He is a great thinker whose wisdom is on par with the great thinkers in history," said Salleh, who is Sabah Umno deputy chief.

UMS Vice-Chancellor Tan Sri Prof Dr Abu Hassan Othman told reporters at the university yesterday that the university would introduce Dr Mahathir's thoughts as a course programme.

For a start, the university will introduce the programme using books by the Prime Minister as among the reference and textbooks through the Language and Knowledge Medium Centre once the University Senate gives its approval.

Meanwhile in his speech, Salleh, who is also state Local Government and Housing Minister and Member of Parliament for Kota Belud, said that teachers have an important role in society.

"The society respect teachers as they are not only educators in schools but also involve themselves in community activities and play a role in disseminating accurate information on government policies," he said.

Teachers are also leaders as their role was not confined to teaching in the classroom but to bring the school to a level of excellence, he said.

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