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MAHATHIR CONFIDENT THAT NEW LEADERSHIP CAN BRING PROGRESS

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 19 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said he is confident that the new leadership can administer the country towards development when he steps down at the end of October.

"I have done enough, it's good that we have a new leadership," he said at the annual dinner of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI).

He said the new leadership was capable of taking the country to achieve the 2020 Vision according to the existing mould.

Mahathir advised government officers and staff to give their full support and cooperation to the new cabinet in efforts to achieve national development.

He said the country had the best administrative machinery, in fact it could be described as the best among developing countries to the extent it had become a model for them to administer their respective country.

"We are not inferior to anybody else. We can do it. We have proven to the world that we can administer our country and develop it as well.

"Other countries do not have proper and dedicated government to develop the countries concerned," he said.

However, he said everyone needed to upgrade the capacity to administer the country.

Both results and job satisfaction were important as payback to the efforts put in towards the success of the country compared with the payment received in ringgit and sen, he said.

Earlier, International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz, in her speech, said although the dinner was held every year, the dinner tonight was a special tribute to the Prime Minister who had made significant contribution towards the country's development.

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