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DEVELOPMENT AGENDA NOT FINISHED YET- PM

SEREMBAN, March 8 (Bernama) -- The Prime Minister, Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, said today the national development agenda is not over yet and a lot more has to be done to bring progress to the people.

The Barisan Nasional Government would continue to make improvements and make up for whatever was left out in the national development agenda, he said.

"I admit that our national development agenda is not over. There is a lot more we have to do."

"We have to move on ahead and at the same time consolidate our gains,"

he said when launching the Negeri Sembilan level Islam Hadhari (Islamic State Governance) programme here.

Negeri Sembilan Menteri Besar Tan Sri Mohamed Isa Abdul Samad and Information Minister Tan Sri Khalil Yaakob were also present.

Addressing thousands of people at the Seremban Municipal Council ground, the Prime Minister said there had been and still there was very good collaboration and cooperation among all groups including past and present Cabinet Ministers who were from all races in the development of this country.

Hence all Muslims and non-Muslims could take just pride in the progress that their country had achieved, Abdullah said.

"I value cooperation in efforts to ensure the success of our national development agenda," he said.

Abdullah also urged Malaysians to pursue knowledge which would enable them to exploit all fields and benefit from the gifts bestowed on them for their common good.

"Knowledge is very important and without it we cannot progress or develop. Man without knowledge will find it hard to succeed," he said.

Abdullah also expressed appreciation to the country's leaders from all

races and to his four predecessors for bringing development and progress to this country -- Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-Haj, Tun Abdul Razak, Tun Hussein Onn dan Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

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