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FORMER STUDENTS SHOULD GIVE BACK, SO OTHERS CAN BENEFIT

KUALA LUMPUR, March 24 (Bernama) -- Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad tonight urged former Tunku Abdul Rahman Foundation sponsored students to give back something in return to the foundation for enabling them in the past.

"I hope that once they become successful, they will give something back to the foundation so that other students will also benefit from their assistance," he said at the Tunku Abdul Rahman Foundation Night 2004, here.

Tun Mahathir, a former chairman of the foundation, said this would be one way of repaying the foundation for helping them in the past.

Similarly, he said those who took study loans should also pay back as the money would be used to help other students to further their studies in institutions of higher learning.

Mahathir also urged more corporate bodies to support efforts of the foundation to help more students as well as to diversify its activities.

During the function, Dr Mahathir who was the foundation's chairman from 1974 to 1977 received RM61,000 in contributions from several corporate bodies.

He also presented the Tunku medal for 1999 to 11 best graduates from local universities. In addition to the medal, they also received RM1,000 in the form of trust unit certificate each.

They included Norfazilah Arsat who obtained first class honours in actuarial science from Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) and Tain Chin Leong who also obtained first class honours in Information Technology education from the Universiti Pendidikan Sultan Idris (UPSI).

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