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News reports on lifelong learning

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JAN 15, 1996: Chief secretary to the Government Tan Sri Ahmad Sarji Abdul Hamid said managers should constantly strive for excellence by engaging in a lifelong learning process.

April 24, 2001: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad revealed in the Eighth Malaysia Plan: 2001- 2005 that lifelong learning is to be promoted to enhance productivity and employability through the use of information and communications technology in distance learning and web-based learning to meet individual needs.

April 4, 2001: The Third Outline Perspective Plan 2001-2010 stipulates that private sector participation will be required to complement public sector efforts in tertiary education, and lifelong learning will be promoted.

April 28, 2004: The 2,500-year-old teachings of Confucius will be used to help MCA leaders, including MPs and state assemblymen, to become effective leaders. The workshop was part of a lifelong learning campaign that MCA was promoting.

Oct 11, 2004: Delegates to the 51st MCA annual general assembly unanimously endorsed an 11-point resolution covering party affairs, politics, the economy, social affairs, education and public services. Among the resolutions was MCA's full support of its recently launched Lifelong Learning Campaign.

Nov 27, 2004: MCA president Datuk Seri Ong Ka Ting reminded MCA members that knowledge and education are endless and that society must realise the importance of lifelong learning. MCA's Lifelong Learning Programme Committee was set up to encourage people to learn something new. He said this at the launch of the Tunku Abdul Rahman College Lifelong Learning programme.

Dec 17, 2004: Open University Malaysia Chancellor Datin Seri Endon Mahmood said learning in the 21st century extends beyond conventional studying to cover society and the environment. She said the philosophy applied to people of all ages and backgrounds because lifelong learning has become important.

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