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New look of Langkawi

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LANGKAWI: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has expressed happiness over the change for the better in the livelihood of the people of Langkawi development that has come to the legendary island.

He said he noticed that many wooden dwellings lacking basic facilities had been transformed into concrete houses over the years, and attributed the development partly to a cement factory established in Teluk Ewa, Ayer Hangat.

This was part of the intensive development which Langkawi had undergone. This was being felt by the islanders, he said at a dinner here on Saturday night to raise funds for the Langkawi branch of the National Association for the Prevention of Drug Abuse (Pemadam Langkawi). Also present was Dr Mahathir's wife, Tun Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali.

Dr Mahathir received cheques amounting to RM65,000 from various bodies for Pemadam Langkawi.



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The former prime minister said there was still room to further develop Langkawi, in terms of providing employment opportunities and setting up businesses such as barter trade at the Teluk Ewa port.

He also advised parents and teachers to create awareness in children on the dangers of taking drugs. — Bernama