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Youth must be taught to reject war, says Dr M

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KUALA LUMPUR: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad said it must be deeply ingrained in youth that war is a crime, unless it is in self-defence.

He said the younger generation should be inculcated with the right values and made to understand that because war is a crime, engaging in it was not the right thing to do.

Condemning the act of war, Dr Mahathir said taking to arms should never be legitimised.

"The younger generation must reject war. If we can get this message across effectively, we can change their mind set and value system for the better," he said after launching the Perdana Global Peace Foundation (PGPF) club yesterday.

Dr Mahathir said clubs like PGPF was essential in promoting a peaceful world and involving the younger generation in humanitarian activities.

He added that Malaysia could be a model in resolving conflicts.

"We promote peaceful solutions through negotiation and arbitration. If both do not work, we resort to the court of law."