

**Muhyiddin: Afghanistan Wants Malaysia To Channel Aid In Its Recovery Process**  
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PUTRAJAYA, July 26 (Bernama) -- In its road to recovery and development, Afghanistan has requested for aid and support from Malaysia, said Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

He said the message was delivered by Afghanistan Higher Education Minister Prof Dr Obaidullah Obaid, who is currently on a five-day visit to Malaysia.

He said Afghanistan, which was ravaged by war which killed hundreds of thousands of people -- where almost all the social and economic systems of the country were destroyed -- was now on the road to recovery.

"He (Obaidullah) came with one big wish, to get the moral and material support specifically in education, technical, military and police training.

"This proves they (Afghanistan) have high regard for Malaysia's capability," said Muhyiddin, who is also education minister, when opening the Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Presint 9 (2) here.

At the ceremony, Muhyiddin also broke fast with 1,000 teachers, students and parents.

Earlier in the morning, Muhyiddin received a courtesy call from Dr Obaidullah who represented Afghanistan President Hamid Karzai.

The deputy prime minister said Dr Obaidullah also praised Malaysia as an Islamic nation which could be emulated and depended upon by other nations in the world.

"This is what is special about Malaysia, and we must take pride in the peaceful environment which should be maintained," he said, reminding Malaysians to be thankful they were able to celebrate Ramadan in peace, unlike turbulent nations such as Syria.

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