



PM Calls On Educationists To Export Their Expertise

DAIUK Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday suggested that the skills and expertise on higher education available locally be made a commodity for export.

The Prime Minister said there was no reason why the Malaysian system of higher education could not be turned into an industry, like what other countries had done by competing to set up twinning programmes and so forth in this country.

What these countries did actually amounted to exporting their skills to Malaysia, he said when laying

the foundation stone of Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (Unimas) in Kota Samarahan.

"We cannot just sit still and be a recipient. We should make efforts to market our educational skills and expertise to the international community," he said.

In this connection, he urged local universities to strive towards setting high standards in all aspects of their activities so that Malaysia could be a model for education in the region.

Dr Mahathir said although the local university system was new compared

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The Chancellor of Unimas, professor Dr Zawawie shows Dr Mahathir the lay-out of the university while Dr Sulaiman listens