

# Dr M: Help us create a clean government

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THE Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahatir Mohamad called on the people yesterday to help the government to realise its intention of creating a clean, effective and trustworthy administration.

He said unless the slogan is given substance, it would not be of any use. The people on their part had also to gear themselves to be clean, effective and trustworthy.

These qualities should start at home and be carried on to cover all aspects of life, he added.

The Prime Minister was speaking at the official launching of Tanam Bersatu, a joint venture housing project involving Jaya Usaha Bersatu Sdn Bhd and Ka-

layan Sabah Sdn Bhd in Kota Kinabalu.

Jaya Usaha Bersatu is a joint venture cooperative between UMNO and Berjaya Cooperative formed at the beginning of last year.

Commenting on development in Sabah, the Prime Minister said he was happy to see rapid changes in the state.

This, he added, reflected the effectiveness of the state government.

The Prime Minister, however, noted Sabah still lacked the necessary skills for development.

In housing, for instance, the state still depended heavily on foreign workers.

This was all right if the Sabah people simultaneously took steps to acquire such skills, he

said.

The Chief Minister of the state, Datuk Harris Salleh, said Jaya Usaha Bersatu has since its inception, gone into housing, plantations, leasing and trading.

He added that the Sabah government and the people shared the Prime Minister's belief in the virtues of hard work and discipline.

Speaking of the general elections, he said the decision of the Prime Minister to go for an early poll was proof of his confidence and courage.

It also showed the Prime Minister's great concern and respect for the people as he was seeking a mandate for them to endorse the one given him by UMNO and Barisan Nasional.