

# 'Judge us by the results'

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**KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today called on the people to vote wisely on Thursday, adding that they should vote for the party and not the candidate.**

He said everyone should think very carefully before casting his vote, and remember that candidates on their own "do not make up for much.

"It is the party that will rule the country. Barisan Nasional candidates are party candidates and they are committed to the policies of the party.

"You are not choosing just a per-

He said opposition parties contesting in the elections are not only confined to certain areas and States, but they are also confined to certain specific racial groups.

"They are in no way national parties and they are not capable of representing the views of all the different communities in Malaysia.

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"Their views are very narrow and are confined only to the interests of their particular community. They know that due to their limited number of candidates

son but you are helping to choose THE Government, and in order to know what form of government you will get, you will have to know to which party the candidate belongs," he said.

In a political broadcast over Radio Malaysia tonight, the Prime Minister said personalities do not count in the election.

What is most important, he said, is that the Barisan Nasional with its policies continues to form the Government.

He called on the people to take into consideration the performance of the Alliance, and now the Barisan Nasional, over the past 25 years, and the Government's promise to have a clean, efficient and trustworthy Government.

He said the country over the past 25 years has had economic growth and political stability under the Barisan Nasional.

He said it is important that the same Government continues to rule so that policies do not change in mid-stream and cause disruptions "which is very common with radical policy changes.

"We must be sure when we have a government, that it is not a government that changes its policies at its whims and fancies," he said.

He pointed out that the Barisan Nasional and its predecessor, the Alliance, had been consistent in its policies.

On the opposition, the Prime Minister said they are not national parties like the Barisan Nasional.

they will not win sufficient seats to form governments in the States or at the centre," he said.

He said it may be possible for the opposition, in certain instances, to win sufficient seats to form State governments, but they will not be able to carry out completely independent policies as the States are not well-financed and will have to rely on the Federal Government for aid.

He said State governments must have good relations with the Federal Government if they hope to fulfil their promises.

"If the central government is from the Barisan Nasional, it is important that the State government too be from the Barisan," he said.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir who is also the Barisan chairman, said the opposition parties cannot form the central government and therefore, are in no position to fulfil their promises.

He said the opposition makes empty promises and warned the people not to be attracted by such promises.