

# BE PATIENT, SAYS DR M

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**KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today that the younger generation is too impatient to get what they want.**

They "wanted everything overnight" and in the process, some of them hurt the feelings of their fellow Malaysians.

"I understand what the younger generation is going through now because I was also like them during my younger days. But now I would advise them to exercise restraint.

"Their needs would be fulfilled in due time but while trying to achieve them, they must understand the feelings of the

other races and not disregard them," Dr Mahathir told a Malaysia Day rally, organised by the Barisan Nasional Youth, at the Putra World Trade Centre.

He also said that the opposition appeared to have forgotten that today was the anniversary of the formation of Malaysia.

The Opposition, he said, had enjoyed all the rewards and benefits since the formation of Malaysia but when it came to an important day like this, "they do not seem to care at all."

Dr Mahathir added that there were certain people in the Opposition who were still unhappy with the Barisan's victory in the August general election.

He said that these groups spread ru-

mours in order to create chaos. "These groups don't seem to care that their actions may disrupt peace and destroy the country. If they think they can get away with it, then they are living in a fantasy.

"For one thing, the people have rallied together and rejected the sentiments of the Opposition. I have no doubt that they will continue to struggle against such extreme ways," he said.

Dr Mahathir said that not many Malaysians realised the struggle behind the formation of Malaysia. Some people, he said, thought that Malaysia was formed on Aug 31.

Malaysia's progress and development stemmed from the hard work and co-operation among the various races, he

said. Despite the differences, the people shared the same aspiration — to be referred to as Malaysians.

He said that Malaysians, who were now more "politically matured," realised that problems could only be resolved through discussions and negotiations.

"Malaysians also realised that any other way of solving their problems, like emotional confrontation, will lead to political instability and this will affect the peace and harmony.

"Despite the many angry opinions and contrasting views — some of which hurts — Malaysians can still set aside their differences and work for a common good," he said.