

# 'Avoid rivalry and suspicion' Learn to share riches — Dr M

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**RAWANG, Sun. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today urged all communities in the country to learn to share the nation's riches to avoid suspicions and feelings of being left behind.**

He said as Malaysia was rich in natural resources and free of major disasters, "its people comprising the various races need not fight for a place and a share of the wealth".

If rivalry and suspicion among the races were not checked, the country would be doomed with racial strife every few years, he said when opening the Selangor Scouts and youth leadership camp at Templer's Park near here.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said as the Government had succeeded in averting trouble resulting from racial tension recently, the

people must now ensure such a situation did not recur.

One way of establishing and maintaining goodwill among themselves was by having social activities involving all races.

The Prime Minister regretted that progress and development in Malaysia had not

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reached the desired level despite the country having been independent for 30 years.

He said workers must adopt positive values such as a willingness to work hard.

Dr Mahathir said Malaysians must change their work attitude to be able to compete with other countries.

He hoped every citizen would put aside petty matters such as differences in race and religion and concentrate on growth, to help the country advance and be at par with European nations and Japan.

"We often get angry when foreigners suc-

ceed in getting rich in this country but we must realise their success stems from their own hard work and their willingness to face challenges."

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said the Government could step in to remedy the situation but the people must also be prepared to grab the opportunities available.

He reminded the people not to be taken in by the propaganda of groups in developed countries.

These groups spread anti-development propaganda as they did not wish to see Malaysians progress and compete with them, he added.

In conjunction with the opening, the Prime Minister was given the "Semangat Padi", the highest award in the Malaysian Scouts movement, by national Scout chief Datuk Dr Sulaiman Daud.

Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Muhammad Haji Muhammad Taib received the movement's second highest award, the "Semangat Rimba", from Datuk Dr Sulaiman.