

PM: Nothing more for Opposition to do

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BRUAS, Mon. — There is virtually nothing more that the Opposition can bring to the people of this country in terms of nation building because everything has been taken care of by the Government, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today.

The Prime Minister said the Opposition, now disguised as the Imitation Front, had no clear socio-economic policies to develop the country whereas the Barisan National Government had brought political stability and economic development in the 33 years after Merdeka.

Dr Mahathir said this at a meet-the-rakyat gather-

ing at Kampung Bakar Bata here, about 60km from Ipoh.

This is Dr Mahathir's second visit to Perak as part of his nationwide tour. He was in Bagan Serai last July 8.

Dr Mahathir was accompanied by his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah, Transport Minister and MCA president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik, Energy, Posts and Telecommunications Minister and MIC president Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu, Primary Industries Minister and Gerakan President Datuk Seri Dr Lim Keng Yaik, Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz, Men-

teri Besar Tan Sri Ramli Ngah Talib and several State dignitaries.

Speaking on a raised platform in front of a huge crowd made up of BN party supporters and workers and other State guests, Dr Mahathir wondered what else the DAP, working together with Pas and Semangat 46, could bring to the people in terms of economic development.

He said the present Government has brought all that the people need.

Even after having done this, the Government was still striving to add to the peoples' comfort in the belief that this would further improve their quality of

life.

He then advised the people to be wary of individuals who may seek the people's support through the election process by making all sorts of promises.

He said only the BN Government could provide the people with most of their needs, as could be seen from its 33-year track record.

The so-called co-operation among the Opposition parties in recent months was nothing more than a political marriage of convenience, Dr Mahathir said, adding that there were too many loopholes in

their public declarations about their loose political affiliation.

Dr Mahathir's next stop was at the official opening of the Dindings Poultry Processing Sdn Bhd at the Kampung Aceh Industrial Estate in Sitiawan, about 20km from here.

In his message to the joint venture, Dr Mahathir said the factory's modern facilities would "ensure that the clean and healthy environment" would be maintained.

After a seaside lunch at the Teluk Batik resort, Dr Mahathir proceeded to Lumut where he chaired a closed-door meeting with Perak BN leaders.