

Dr M: BN will retain power in Kelantan

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KOTA BARU, Sat. — Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is confident that the Barisan Nasional will retain power in Kelantan in the coming general election.

The Prime Minister said he was satisfied with the BN's preparations in the State.

"We are confident of winning all the seats, with the exception of one or two where we have to work hard to ensure victory," he told reporters

after opening the Kelantan branch of the Malaysian Malay Chamber of Commerce and Industry annual general meeting here.

Dr Mahathir also said he had received the list of Kelantan BN candidates.

Asked whether at least 50 per cent of the candidates would be new faces, he said he had yet to go through the list.

He also said the BN was confident of wresting the Gua Musang seat

from Semangat 46 president Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah.

Earlier, he advised Bumiputera businessmen to get rid of the "think big" mentality and to "start small" if they wished to succeed in their ventures.

He said there was no short cut to success not only in business but also in other fields, like politics.

Dr Mahathir said the "think big" mentality had resulted in many Bumiputeras failing in their busin-

esses.

"If we think big, the profits may be big but the losses will also be great.

"Perhaps, we should change our approach towards success in business by thinking small. We should stop thinking big as the consequences are disastrous."

Some Bumiputeras, he said, were forced to sell off their projects, licences or businesses to others because they did not have the relevant experience and expertise.