

PM: Ensure Barisan gets a resounding win

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PARIT BUNTAR, Thurs — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today called on the Malaysians to ensure a resounding victory for the Barisan Nasional as a mark of gratitude to the country's achievements.

He told a large crowd, who had filled the town hall and its surroundings despite rain, that only the Barisan could ensure stability and prosperity in the country.

Therefore, it would need a two-thirds majority in the general election to enable it to form a strong Government to bring about greater progress to the nation.

No one in the country, he said, could claim that they had not benefitted in one way or the other from the Barisan Government.

The Opposition could promise the people all sort of things, even the moon, and that was why the Semangat 46 befriended the Rocket (DAP).

Pas, too, had been promising the "moon and star" for a long time, but it seemed to have given up its objective to form an Islamic state because of objections from the DAP.

Dr Mahathir said that all those were false promises made by irresponsible and insincere people.

"These are people who

are not sincerely working for the good of the country but for their own self interest," said Dr Mahathir who had made a brief flying visit here.

He described these people as *musangs* dressed in feathers who had joined force to mislead the people.

Dr Mahathir said the people would soon see through their disguise and reject them.

On the Semangat 46 election manifesto, he said Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah was an expert on loans and as a result, when he left as Finance Minister the Government had to look for money to settle various loans.