

Concentrate on nation building, says Mahathir

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PULAU LANGKAWI: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad has urged all parties supporting the Malaysia Inc concept to concentrate on developing the nation further.

He said they must set aside all differences and work together to make Malaysia a country to be the envy of others in the world.

He said everyone must put the nation's interest

before their own. "This was one factor which worked against us in the past and caused stunted growth to some of our development programmes," he told reporters at the Langkawi International Airport here.

He said the private sector had indicated an interest to participate in the Government's "nation building" efforts.

"However, the sector had been exposed to many

obstructions and bureaucratic procedures set by people elected to the Government," he said.

He said the authorities should eliminate the negative habit of trying to show off their powers by taking unnecessary and overzealous action which hampered the progress of development projects.

He said this was one factor which led to poor participation from the private sector in the past.