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BN leaders urged to focus on serving people, not themselves

BUKIT MERTA JAM, Sun. - Acting Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim reminded Barisan Nasional leaders last night to focus their energy towards serving the people and to stay clear of corrupt practices.

They must also always avoid any dispute among themselves and not abuse power, he said.

"A leader who is corrupt and only cares for himself will eventually be toppled by his own greed.

"The Barisan Nasional has a good track record of serving the people. We must maintain the highest credibility in our leadership," he said when attending a dinner organised by the Permatang Pauh Gerakan division.

Present were Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon, State BN component leaders and their wives.

Anwar, who is also Permatang Pauh Umno division chairman, said the Government would continue with efforts to ensure political stability, economic progress, meeting the people's needs and credible leadership.

"However, we must not rest on our laurels," he said. "We must always be sensitive to the people's needs, especially their welfare, while we strive for greater economic prosperity."

Anwar said although Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was overseas, he would contact him (Anwar) once every two or three days to take necessary action against corrupt leaders.

"We do not want leaders who claim to fight for social justice before election and indulge in abuse of power and corrupt practices once in office."

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