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Benuk villagers looking for some cheer

FOLLOWING THE BUDGET SPEECH ... These Benuk longhouse folk want to know what the Budget, presented by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in Parliament yesterday, has in store for them.

Will it affect their pockets, will it ease their economic burden or will it bring cheers to them?

These are the questions in the minds of people from Kampung Benuk, a Bidayuh longhouse, about 30km from Kuching.

Seen in the picture are Tuai Rumah Hendry Jeom anak Seman, 64 (right), a member of the village development and security Suem anak Usup, 59 (second from right) and Dasah anak Bedek, 44 (left).

"We want to know, like any other Malaysian, what's in store for us in the Budget," explains Hendry as he listens to the radio which broadcast "live" the speech of Dr Mahathir.

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