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`Malays who have benefited should not now cry foul'

THOSE who have benefited from the Government's economic policy should not cry foul when they have to endure some hardship due to the current economic problems, Umno supreme council member Datuk Mustapa Mohamed said.

He said Malays who had enjoyed benefits either through government contracts or scholarships should show their support for the country's leadership instead of constantly airing their grievances.

Mustapa, who is also the Entrepreneur Development Minister, was commenting on the issue of cronyism and nepotism which was touched on in the speech by party president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Mustapa also hit out at those who questioned the viability of the New Economic Policy which had helped Malays improve their economic standing.

"How dare these people, criticise the system which has given the races of this country an equal opportunity to prosper!"

Mustapa called on the Malays who criticised the Umno leadership's handling of the economy to pulang ke pangkal jalan (return to the right path).

He added that his Ministry would double its effort to assist any company facing difficulties in the current economic situation.

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