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Samy explains new measures to constituents

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SUNGAI SIPUT, Sun. - MIC president Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu said he wanted the people in his Parliamentary constituency to understand the Government introduced currency control to stop foreigners from manipulating its money and shares.

"It is important for the people here especially the Chinese and Indians to understand and support the Government in controlling our currency and how we have been `robbed' by foreigners.

"We are suffering economically today not because of our fault or anything that we have done but because of others who want to control our currency and shares."

Samy said this when briefing associations, guilds and community leaders at a gathering organised by the Sungai Siput MCA division last night.

"As far as Malaysia is concerned, by introducing currency control, we have cut away from people manipulating our money and also put a stop on the manipulation of shares in our share market," he said.

Samy, who is also Works Minister and MP for Sungai Siput, called on the Indians and Chinese here to keep in touch with the latest news and added that they must be open-hearted and not close their minds.

By closing their minds, Samy said, he meant that whenever they encounter problems they put the blame on the Government and because of this they oppose the Government.

"If you don't support the Government you go down further. Nobody is going to help us at this moment except this Government headed by Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad," he said.

"What is happening now as Dr Mahathir had said `although we have achieved the political independence they want to destroy us by economically colonising us'".

"As we want to get away from this we must manage our country ourselves and cannot allow outsiders to manage it. This is a big war that is going on at the moment," Samy said.

"Whatever Dr Mahathir does is to protect this nation, to protect companies and the business concerns and also for the betterment of the country and the people."

It had been reported that RM20 billion was remitted from the Malaysian banks to the banks in Singapore. This could have an effect on Malaysian banks lending money to do business, to buy houses and others.

He said the Government was pumping money to keep the Malaysian banks active as they faced financial constraints as foreigners wanted the Government to sell the banks to them.

"So this is actually a war of economics going on throughout Asean countries. And all this is being done by those from outside especially the Westerners."

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