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Strive harder to strengthen economy, people told

EVEN though there are signs of an economic recovery, the people must not be complacent. Instead they must strive harder to strengthen the country's economy.

Senator Datuk Khoo Keok Hai said the people must be willing to sacrifice and rally behind the leadership to ensure that all measures could be implemented successfully.

Debating the Supply Bill 1999, Khoo said the Budget which was tabled by Prime Minister and First Finance Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was not a burden to the people as it was meant to revitalise the economy. However, he said there were parties who had criticised the Government for such measures.

Senator Datuk Ibrahim Ali took to task "allies" of former Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim for their cowardly act which had tarnished the country's image.

Citing former Penang Youth chief Dr Abdul Rahim Ghouse as an example, Ibrahim said these people had given statements abroad which were detrimental to the country.

Describing them as traitors, he urged the Government to take action against them. Ibrahim, who touched on croniysm and nepotism, also urged the Finance Ministry to come out with the list of those given shares and projects by the ministry.

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