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UMNO'S STABILITY A BULWARK IN FACING ATTACKS ON ECONOMY

KUALA LUMPUR, June 18 (Bernama) -- Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said the party's stability was a bulwark in facing external attacks on the economy.

The Prime Minister said Umno could be proud that it remained strong and united during the current economic downturn.

"It's here that we need understanding among all party members in building an organisation that is strong and not shaken easily.

"Its democratic practice must be in line with this need, as with efforts to abolish money politics and excessive campaigning," he said in his message in the annual report issued in conjunction with the Umno general assembly which begins tomorrow.

Dr Mahathir said Umno's resilience while going through various trials and tribulations was because the party was sensitive to the people's needs and acted fast to overcome shortcomings.

Umno secretary-general Datuk Sabbaruddin Chik, in his message, said Umno divisions and state liaison committees were encouraged to hold courses to step up member's understanding of the party's struggles and effective administration.

"These courses can at a minimum cost bring a lot of benefits, compared to meetings or gatherings that are held merely to promote somebody," he added.

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