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MAKE GOVT OFFICERS MORE ACCESSIBLE, SAYS CUEPACS

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 17 (Bernama) -- Cuepacs has urged all quarters especially government staff to practise the caring concept and be more responsive to the people's views.

Its president N. Siva Subramaniam said it was important to listen to the people's views as this could help to solve their problems.

"We do not want a situation where ministers only listen to feedback from their officers but do not know what actually happens," he said in a statement today.

He said this when expressing support for Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's reminder to all ministers to discharge their duties well and to get closer to the people.

"Although now we have no problems contacting a minister, the people should be given the same kind of access to government officers," he said.

He also said Cuepacs, the Malaysian Trades Union Congress and the Federation of Malaysian Consumer Associations would form a joint committee to overcome the problem of indiscriminate increases in prices of goods.

"We should be proud that so far the government has managed to stabilise goods prices, and this is a key factor for the people's well-being," he said.

However, he noted that lately some traders had tried to increase prices without justification and this should be checked.

On housing, Cuepacs suggested that government employees be allowed to buy only completed houses to prevent them from being affected by abandoned projects.

He also urged the government to ensure that developers did not commit irregularities in implementing projects in a bid to take advantage of the relaxation of government housing loan conditions.

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