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MALAYS WILL LOSE THEIR POWER IF BN DEFEATED, SAYS SAMY

SUNGAI SIPUT, Nov 23 (Bernama) -- The Malays will lose their ruling power since Independence if voters change government, said MIC president Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu.

"Do we want to go back to pre-Independence days, where we address others as `Tuan' (master)?", he said in his political ceramah at Kampong Jalong, near here last night.

Samy is challenged by Dr D. Jeyakumar (DAP) and Mohamad Asri Othman (MDP) in his bid to defend his Sungai Siput parliamentary seat.

He said the other communities had accept Umno representative as their leader because the party represented the Malay majority.

As such, only Umno-led Barisan Nasional (BN) could protect safeguard the interest of the Malays, he said.

He said the Barisan Alternatif had no one qualified to become prime minister even if it was voted to power because component parties like the DAP, PAS and Keadilan would try to cheat one another.

"The BN has been in existence since Independence, unlike the opposition pact which emerges only during election and disintegrates later," he said.

Samy Vellu urged voters in the constituency not to gamble on the future of children and they should preserve the country's stability to provide favourable climate for economic growth.

"The government is giving the country its economic strength...with economic strength, there is no employment," he said.

All these, he said, were the results of hard work of the government led by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad whom the people give another mandate to ensure continuity.

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