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PPP members urged to ensure 100pc BN win

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. - Members of the People's Progressive Party have been directed to assist the Barisan Nasional to ensure a 100 per cent victory in the coming general elections.

Its president, Datuk M. Kayveas, said there was no better Government than the present considering the political stability, racial harmony and vast development it had brought to the country.

"Since its formation in 1953 under the name of Perak Progressive Party, the party had grown in strength with a present membership of more than 250,000," he said at the opening of the party's 46th general assembly by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today.

He said with the present strength, the party was prepared to face any challenge and would give its fullest support and co-operation to ensure a 100 per cent victory for BN at the coming general elections.

He said the people should be grateful for all the Government had done for them and had no reason to go against the ruling party.

"We should compare ourselves with the hardships and political instability in neighbouring countries and refrain from listening to lies spread by those out to oppose the Government," he said.

Kayveas said Dr Mahathir had always been wise and fair and had proved to the World Bank, International Monetary Fund and other international agencies that the country was capable of facing any economic challenge.

He said the Government's quick action in taking steps to counter the economic slowdown was a clear sign that the people's interests were the ruling party's priority.

"Though many had advised us to accept IMF's assistance during the economic slowdown, the Prime Minister's decision against it was wise and the results are clearly evident with the present signs of recovery," he added.

He said the Government was also quick to act in curbing the spread of Japanese encephalitis to other parts of the country.

Meanwhile, the Tabung Barisan Bertindak Kosovo received another boost today when the PPP presented RM10,000 to the fund during the assembly.

The money was presented to Dr Mahathir Mohamad by Kayveas.

Kayveas said the money was raised during a two-week nationwide car wash organised by the party to raise funds for the Tabung Barisan Bertindak Kosovo.

On hand to accept the donations from Dr Mahathir was secretary of the fund Saifuddin Abdullah, who is also Malaysian Youth Council chairman.

The chairman of the fund is NSTP group editor-in-chief Datuk A. Kadir Jasin.

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