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SAMY VELLU HAS NO RIGHT TO REJECT OFFER, SAYS IPF YOUTH

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 28 (Bernama) -- The All Malaysian Indian Progressive Front (IPF) Youth has objected strongly to MIC president Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu's statement rejecting IPF's offer to help Barisan Nasional (BN) campaign in the next general election.

IPF Youth chief M. Sambanthan said they regretted Samy Vellu's statement because only Prime Minister and BN chief Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad could decide whether to accept or reject IPF's offer of help.

Although not a BN component, IPF had played an important role in ensuring BN's victory in the 1995 general election, he told Bernama today.

He said proof of BN's appreciation for IPF's help was the appointment of IPF president M.G. Pandithan as a Senator.

He said IPF would send a memorandum to the Prime Minister regarding Samy Vellu's statement.

At its general assembly last Aug 1, the IPF pledged its full support and help for BN candidates in the coming polls.

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