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STRIVE TO SERVE THE PEOPLE, SAYS FOMCA

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 16 (Bernama) -- Ministers need to meet the people more frequently in order to serve and to gather first-hand information, said Federation of Malaysian Consumer Associations president Prof Hamdan Adnan.

He said ministers need to be transparent in carrying out the directive of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad for all to strive to fulfill the promises contained in the Barisan Nasional (BN) manifesto.

"The directive reflects the government's appreciation of the trust the people have in it," he said here today.

Hamdan hoped members of the Cabinet would continue to be transparent and sincere in carrying out their duties.

He said reliance on intermediaries had resulted in leakages at various stages so much so some financial allocations did not reach the target groups or projects.

He said ministers also need to be proactive by overseeing the performance of officers entrusted with coordinating development projects.

Hamdan said the government should give an undertaking that government hospitals would not be privatised and for the proposal for houses to be built first before being sold to become a reality.

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