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Students' solid support debunks claims

BESUT, Fri. - The solid support from university students for Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's leadership and his explanation on current issues proves that issues raised by the Opposition are a gimmick to gain political mileage.

Kelantan Umno liaison chief Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah said the Opposition had boasted that students, civil servants and the general public were against the Government and BN leaders.

"But events this week proved otherwise. We saw more than 80,000 people during a gathering with the Prime Minister in Jengka, Pahang on Monday," he said after a meeting with Barisan Nasional election machinery workers in Jertih today.

"Yesterday, more than 4,000 students were given a rare opportunity to clear any doubt they had in a dialogue with Dr Mahathir. Any confusion created by the Opposition prior to the meeting has been explained," he added.

He was asked to comment on the dialogue between Dr Mahathir and the undergraduates at Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia in Bangi where the Prime Minister addressed a host of issues like racial polarisation in universities, scholarships, corruption, politics and the economy.

Tengku Razaleigh said the students now realised that the "picture" painted by the Opposition regarding the political, racial and economic situation was merely political propaganda.

"The BN and Umno still have the majority support of the people, even in the rural areas. They not only wanted the Prime Minister to continue to lead but also development to continue," he added.

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