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Youth welcome PM's explanation on economy

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LOCAL youth organisations yesterday welcomed Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's explanation on the country's economic situation and recovery measures taken by the Government.

Dr Mahathir met more than 100 leaders from 20 organisations, including the Malaysian Youth Council (MYC), Malaysian Muslim Youth Movement (Abim), university student associations and the 4B Youth Movement in a two-hour closed-door meeting in Kuala Lumpur.

Youth and Sports Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin, briefing reporters after the meeting, said the youth leaders were satisfied with Dr Mahathir's explanation on the economic situation.

This is the first time such a meeting between the youth leaders and the Prime Minister is organised.

Tan Sri Muhyiddin said Dr Mahathir also advised the youths to understand the government policies and help maintain the country's political stability.

"They were told that all government policies and measures were formulated in the best interest of the nation.

"He (the Prime Minister) also stressed the importance for Malaysians to defend the country's democratic system and advised them not to be influenced by foreign elements," Muhyiddin said.

Dr Mahathir had also touched on the on-going political issues in the country and explained the Government's stand in the current political development.

Muhyiddin said Dr Mahathir is expected to launch the National Youth Day in Kuala Lumpur on Saturday.

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