

BN will increase majority in Teluk Kemang: PM

PETALING JAYA, Wed: ing people as people will not Prime Minister and Barisan help us in return," he said. Nasional (BN) chairman Mahathir said BN has Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir always practised the custom Mohamad is confident that of helping one another BN will win the Teluk between all its component Kemang by-election on parties, unlike PAS which did Saturday **SUN 8 6 2000** not work together with the

Mahathir said the ruling other races and use religion coalition will be able to add to as an issue.

the majority of votes gained "We still remember when PAS and Keadilan called non-

to win the seat. Muslims to enter the National Mosque.

"I think our chances (of winning) are good . . . it remains to be seen how many additional votes we'll get . . . "I think we'll add to the majority," said Mahathir in an interview with Umno's tabloid *Wawasan Merdeka*.

He said the Malays, who form the majority of voters in the area, are faced with an Indian candidate from BN in this by-election and they need to vote for the chosen candidate.

"Malays must remember there are places where the Malay candidates needed the support of Indians and Chinese to secure victory for Umno," he said.

"At other places Indians and Chinese helped us ... so we have to help them now. We will only lose out by not help

He said the BN-elected MP will stay on for more than one term, in response to complaints of former MPs serving for only a term since 1990.

Mahathir advised voters, especially those who are still undecided, to hold to the truth and not believe the empty promises of the Opposition.