

PAS a traitor to Muslims as it opposes development: Dr M

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Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said PAS is a traitor to Muslims as it opposes all efforts to bring development to them and the country.

He said PAS only sees votes and from an early stage, children are taught to hate Umno and its leaders.

"The children are taught not to learn mathematics and science as they are considered secular. They say Muslims must only learn religion," he said when winding up the Umno general assembly.

Mahathir said: "PAS is a traitor to Islamic countries. The world looks at us as an example of an Islamic

country, but PAS says that we are secular.

"(PAS deputy president) Abdul Hadi Awang said we are secular as we still use the British administration and still have civil courts instead of only the Syariah court."

He also cited an exclusive interview with Hadi by a *Malaysiakini* reporter, in which Hadi is quoted as saying that the source and guide of an Islamic state is not Iraq or the Taliban in Afghanistan but the Quran and the Hadith.

"Hadi also said that while the population in the countries mentioned is almost 100% Muslim, Malay-

sia has a large non-Muslim population.

"So in the past, PAS had asked us to implement hudud law, and said we cannot consider the Indians and Chinese ... but now he is saying something different," he said.

Mahathir also asked PAS to write clearly in English, Bahasa Melayu and Chinese that when PAS rules, there will be no civil courts.

"Then we will see whether DAP will support it," he said.

Mahathir said PAS is willing to give up the right of the Malays just to gain support from the DAP.