

# Don't depend on aid too much, Muslims told

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CHANGLOON. Fri. — Muslims have been told not to be too dependent on aid but instead strive to be part of those who have extra money to pay tithes to help fellow Muslims.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said with more Muslims having big incomes, tithe collection would be increased and all those eligible to get aid from tithes could get their share.

“We need to work harder to increase our income so that we can pay out tithes.

“As it is, many of us only think about making tithe payments but are not earning enough presently,” he said.

Dr Mahathir said before distributing Bank Kerjasama Rakyat Malaysia (Bank Rakyat) business tithes to 300 *asnaf* (those eligible) in Kubang Pasu district.

The ceremony was organised by the Kubang Pasu Umno division religious bureau and held at the Kampung Darat mosque, here.

Dr Mahathir who is on a one-day working visit to Kedah later joined some 500 people to perform Friday prayers at the mosque.