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Rafidah: Be thankful for peaceful transition of power

KUALA SELANGOR, Thurs. - Malaysians should be thankful that the country is peaceful despite the impending transfer of power in 15 months.

Wanita Umno chief Datuk Seri Rafidah Aziz said the country was lucky to have leaders who were not power crazy and willing to step down when it was time to do so.

She said if all leaders followed Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's example, the party would be stronger.

"Unlike in certain countries, people are killing each other because of the changes in leadership," she said at a dinner organised by the Kuala Selangor Wanita Umno yesterday.

Rafidah said both Dr Mahathir and Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi had shown good example of how things should be done.

"We must also be willing to work hard to ensure the new leadership after Pak Lah takes over will continue to drive Malaysia further," she said.

Rafidah, who is also International Trade and Industry Minister, urged the local business community to proceed with what they were doing because there would be no changes in the country's policy despite the transition of power.

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