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DO NOT LOOK DOWN ON YOUR NEIGHBOURS, SINGAPORE TOLD

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 12 (Bernama) -- Singapore should not look down or exploit its neighbours in its effort to look after its own interests, Gerakan Rakyat Malaysia (Gerakan) President Datuk Seri Dr Lim Keng Yaik said today.

He said Singapore may be far ahead in terms of development compared to its neighbouring countries but as a country with neighbours, it must consider the feelings of others.

Lim was commenting on a statement by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday that Malaysia had tried to be friendly with Singapore but the effort was not reciprocated by the republic.

"That is the problem with the government of Singapore...they can look after their own country and be the best in the world, but they must not look down or ignore the wellbeing of its neighbours," he said. Gerakan is a component party of the Barisan Nasional.

Dr Lim, who is Primary Industries Minister, was speaking to reporters after opening the Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM) Biotechnology Research Centre here.

He said Singapore must learn how to share and not use its position to exploit its neighbours. He did not elaborate on this.

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