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'Leaders need vision, boldness'

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MEETING DEMANDS: Each segment of society has own needs, says Muhyiddin

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A LEADER needs to employ extraordinary wisdom when tackling issues faced by the different races and religions in the country, said Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

He said wisdom in a leader would go a long way, and it was the best tool when handling the many demands of Malaysia's communities.

Muhyiddin said Malaysia was composed of people from various races and religions.

"Every segment in society has different needs, and these needs vary among the different communities and between the young and old.

"Each race and religion has its own needs. Even the needs of the urban and rural folk are different.

"That's why a leader needs to have the boldness and wisdom to tackle these demands for the sake of the country's wellbeing," said Muhyiddin when launching the Affordable Housing Carnival at Kompleks Seri Pekembar yesterday.

He said as a developing country, Malaysia could not avoid problems from time to time.

However, he assured the people that the government had the wisdom to tackle these matters, and urged the people to stand united to help improve things in the country.

"At the moment, we are facing questions about the economy, the political situation and the security of the country. These matters have caused discomfort among the people.

"The people should not worry when these issues arise because the government will use its wisdom to tackle them," said Muhyiddin.

He said the people played a role in giving suggestions on ways that the country could improve.

"I urge everybody to work together to find solutions for these issues. We must be united to heal the nation."

At the event at Kompleks Seri Pekembar, Muhyiddin presented Ramadan contributions to mosques, religious schools and learning institutions in the Pagoh parliamentary constituency.

A total of 132 mosques and other institutions received contributions.

Later, he joined the congregation at Masjid Kampung Jorak, before attending a meet-the-people session at Dataran Jorak here.