

Corporate Bodies Urged By Dr M To Help The Poor
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LANGKAWI, April 14 (Bernama) -- Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad today suggested that corporate bodies including financial institutions help the poor in whatever way.

He said contributions could come from the profits they made to lessen the burden of the poor.

"This is how we can be grateful for what we have by helping the less fortunate," he said after officiating at a SME Bank corporate responsibility programme at Ar-Rahman Mosque, Kedawang, here.

At the function, Dr Mahathir also handed over computers and hampers to the Langkawi community.

SME Bank managing director Datuk Mohd Radzif Mohd Yunus said to date, the bank had contributed 512 computers to local communities nationwide, including 40 to the Langkawi community.

He said the bank had also approved 7,546 applications for loans worth RM13.6 billion for small and medium enterprises from 2005 to 2011.

Also present were International Trade and Industry Deputy Minister Datuk Mukhriz Mahathir and Langkawi Development Authority chief executive officer Tan Sri Khalid Ramli.

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