

**Demos Not Healthy For Malaysia - Dr Mahathir
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KUALA TERENGGANU, May 3 (Bernama) -- The opposition's move to orchestrate demonstrations to bring down the government, which has been democratically elected, will only threaten the country's peace and harmony, said former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

He said their approval of street demonstrations, as was happening of late, was an unhealthy development for the country and would only affirm the wishes of foreign quarters who want (Opposition leader) Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim as prime minister.

"There are some parties, including Nik Aziz (Pas spiritual leader Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat) who allow demonstrations as a way to bring down the government. It seems he doesn't believe in the democratic system which is used to choose the government without violence.

"Now demonstrations are the chosen method to destroy the government. I think this is unhealthy because our country will not be peaceful if we support violent acts.

"There are other quarters who want a new government with Anwar as the prime minister," he said.

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