

**People Of Labuan Should Continue To Support BN To Ensure Continued Development - Muhyiddin
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LABUAN, April 17 (Bernama) -- The people of Labuan are urged to continue supporting the Barisan Nasional (BN) so that the development made in the oil and gas industry can be maintained, said Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin.

He said that under the administration of the BN government, many leading companies chose to have their base in Labuan to the extent that it became the leading oil and gas hub in the region.

"Labuan is a very special territory to the federal government and the development there will certainly not stop as long as the BN gives its focus on its continued development.

"Labuan has a very big potential with its location being most strategic and it has a bright future under the BN," he said to loud applause from the BN supporters.

Muhyiddin disclosed this in his speech when opening the Labuan taxi and bus terminal, here Wednesday.

Also present were his wife, Puan Sri Norainee Abdul Rahman, Federal Territories and Urban Wellbeing Minister Datuk Raja Nong Chik Raja Zainal Abidin, BN candidate for Labuan parliamentary seat Rozman Isli and Labuan Umno division acting head Senator Datuk Yunus Kurus. Muhyiddin said the government was also concerned and always endeavoured to provide the best facilities in the territory at par with those enjoyed by the people in the peninsula.

"The ruling government here will continue to be strengthened through innovative approaches and reforms toward achieving a high standard in providing quality services to the residents," he said.

Commenting on the construction of the bus and taxi terminal, Muhyiddin said it was an accurate move toward creating a public transport system that was planned and orderly which could ease the increasing traffic congestion in the Labuan town centre.

In addition, it was hoped that the RM5.8 million terminal which was completed on Feb 7, 2013 could reduce the problems faced by the people of Labuan in getting public transport as the town lacked one-stop centre for taxis and buses. The terminal began operations on March 15.

The terminal could also resolve the problem of getting public transport faced by the local people besides having the potentials to become the pull factor for economic growth because of its accessible location.

Muhyiddin's speech received loud applause when said: "Now, when you wake up from sleep, remember the BN, when you are dating your girlfriend, remember the BN, when you are going around with your family, remember the BN. In short, remember the BN!"

Meanwhile, Raja Nong Chik in his speech said the BN had never isolated Labuan and it is important for the territory to be administered by the BN to complement the other two

federal territories, namely Kuala Lumpur and Putrajaya.

"It will be detrimental to the people if Labuan were to fall into the hands of the opposition as their actual agenda is unknown," he said.

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