

**Give Credit To National Leadership - Muhyiddin  
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MUAR, Sept 6 (Bernama) -- Everyone, including the opposition, should acknowledge that the national leadership had succeeded to place Malaysia among the developed nations in this region.

Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said the status enjoyed by the country currently would not have been achieved if Malaysia had not been properly managed.

"If Malaysia had not been managed properly, the economic problems would become critical, the people would be unemployed, there would be no employment opportunities. Who would then be blamed? Of course, the government would be blamed.

"Malaysia is not like that today. We not only managed, we also provided what was required.

"We are not begging to be praised but do give us credit (for the efforts of the government). The opposition has to give recognition," he said when opening the delegates meeting of the Pagoh Umno division at the Seri Pekembar Complex, near here, today.

Muhyiddin, who is also the Pagoh Umno division head, said that according to analysts, Malaysia was perceived to be able to achieve the developed nation status earlier than the targeted schedule, that is, by the year 2018.

"Give credit to those capable of resolving the economic problems. Give credit when it is due," he said.

However, he reminded the people not to be obsessed by the desire to rush for the developed nation status to the extent that there were communities who were left out.

"Within the next five years, our strategy is to reduce the gap between the ethnic groups in terms of income so that no one would feel left out," said the Deputy Prime Minister.

Also present was Muhyiddin's wife, Puan Sri Norainee Abd Rahman.

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