

# 'Be patient over NFC issue'

## Probe still ongoing, says Muhyiddin

**KUANTAN:** Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin urged all parties to be patient and wait for the investigations to be completed on the National Feedlot Corporation (NFC) issue.

Muhyiddin said the Attorney-General's Chambers would announce the result of the investigation carried out on the matter.

"I do not want to make any specific comments on the NFC issue because the ongoing investigations have not been completed. It is best we be patient," he told reporters after a closed door meeting with the Pahang Umno Liaison here yesterday.

Muhyiddin was commenting on Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad's advice to Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Seri Shahrizat Abdul Jalil to "not love your post so much that you refuse completely to part with it".

"That is the former prime minister's opinion; he must have his reasons for making such a statement and we need to respect his views," said Muhyiddin.

On another matter, Muhyiddin said the financial assistance including the Bantuan Rakyat 1Malaysia (BR1M) is not a bribe but

public money given back to those in need.

He said the aid was given to all eligible recipients regardless of their background and political ideology.

"This is the people's money; it's not wrong to give it back to them. Even individuals from PAS go on stage to receive the aid," Muhyiddin said in his speech at a 1Malaysia People's Feast held at the Air Balok Recreation Centre in Beserah.

Muhyiddin said the Barisan Nasional government led by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak was always sensitive to the people's burden.

"The various kinds of aid, including subsidising certain consumer items, are meant to reduce the burden," he said.

He said the issues raised by the opposition on the increased cost of living had been tackled by the Government a long time ago.

"Various efforts have been made to increase the people's income, control inflation and reduce the Government's expenses," he said.

He presented BR1M vouchers worth of RM95.5mil to 8,500 recipients in Beserah and Semambu as well as uniforms and bags to excellent students.