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Dr M to move into Seri Timah

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— Prime Minister Datuk
Seri Dr Mahathir
Mohamad is expected to
move into his new official
residence — Seri Timah
— once renovation on the

bungalow is completed.

However, it is not known when exactly the Prime Minister will move out of his Jalan Tunku residence here into Seri Timah, formerly owned by Malaysian Mining Corporation (MMC).

Informed sources said Seri Timah, located at Jalan Trengganu on Bukit Persekutuan here, was bought by the Government at a "very good price" and is being given a new look with renovation work concentrating on the landscape.

"The Prime Minister

is very particular about the landscape and the interior decor, particularly the rooms," the sources said.

The sources said one of the reasons the Prime Minister decided not to move into Seri Taman, former residence of the late Tun Abdul Razak and Tun Hussein Onn, was its unsuitable location.

"The noise from the traffic that passes by Seri Taman also makes it unsuitable for the Prime Minister," the sources added.

Seri Taman was ori-

ginally the official residence of the late Tun Abdul Razak when he was the Deputy Prime Minister. He continued residing there when he became Prime Minister.

Former Prime Minister Tun Hussein moved into Seri Taman when he succeeded the late Tun.

The sources also said Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Musa Hitam will move into Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir's Jalan Tunku residence.

It is believed that Seri Taman may be converted into a museum.