

# Strive for a clean, efficient, trustworthy police force: PM

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KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. — Strive to ensure a clean, efficient and trustworthy police force — that is the message from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad to mark Police Day tomorrow.

Dr Mahathir, who is also the Home Affairs Minister, said the aim was in line with this year's police theme — *Loyalty to the Profession*.

"This also means you must be loyal to the force. If we are able to instil this spirit in ourselves, we will be prepared to sacrifice even our lives."

He stressed the importance of the police getting public co-operation when carrying out their duties.

"There is a need to create a clear understanding among the public and police in our efforts to build a united, peaceful and progressive society

in Malaysia".

Dr Mahathir also hoped that all the efforts, sacrifices and services of the police would be remembered and held in esteem by the people.

He said he was proud that the force had succeeded in carrying out its role as the premier law enforcement agency and upholding national security.

In a similar message, Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Mohamad Haniff Omar called on his officers and men to make whatever sacrifices required of them for the good of the force.

He stressed the importance of discipline among his officers and men so that they could carry out their duties and responsibilities effectively.

He also pledged his undivided loyalty to the King and country on behalf of the force.