

Mahathir: Umno will act to oust PBS after polls

KUALA PERLIS, Fri. — Umno will begin moves to oust the ruling Parti Bersatu Sabah soon after the general election, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today.

He said the newly-formed Sabah Umno would have the responsibility of "capturing" the state.

The Prime Minister and Barisan chairman said Umno was willing to work with anyone who opposed the PBS government.

"We (Umno) have set the target to rule Sabah. Hopefully we will restore the co-operation between the state and federal governments," he told reporters after opening the \$12.2 million LPN complex here.

Asked whether all those dissatisfied with the PBS could "join forces" with Umno, he said: "Sure, we are willing and prepared to work with anyone who is against PBS."

Earlier, he addressed several hundred Perlis Barisan members at the ITM branch in Arau.

Dr Mahathir also praised Menteri Besar Dr Abdul Hamid Pawanteh for resolving the problems related to the nomination of Barisan candidates in the state, adding that he was impressed with the preparedness of Perlis Umno.