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PORT KLANG, March 12. (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today advised Port Klang Authority (LPK) employees against being hasty in demanding for monetary compensation owing to privatisation of the port.

He said they could ask what they wanted from the company which would run the port after its privatisation.

+After privatisation, the company will earn much money (from its operations). Why must they be hasty?+ he asked.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir was commenting on the demand by the Port Authority Staff Union (Pasu) for one month's salary to be paid as bonus for the 4,000 employees after privatisation.

A meeting of the LPK rejected the demand, and the union has not been attending its negotiations with the LPK management on the privatisation for almost a month. -- more

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Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir said the port would be privatised after several problems had been resolved.

+These are the usual problems, including that related to cost,+ he added.

The privatisation of Port Klang, originally scheduled for this month, has been put off to the end of the year. -- Bernama

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