

Mahathir: I'm in good shape

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ALOR STAR, Fri. — Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today he is in good shape.

Dismissing reports that he was ill, the Prime Minister said such reports were meant to create instability in the country.

"I'm still going everywhere and everyone can see (me).

"How can I be ill?

"Maybe they are referring to my double, someone who resembles me," he told newsmen who asked about his health at the Kepala Batas airport here.

Dr Mahathir was here to attend a breaking fast ceremony at the Masjid Kampung Telok Malik in Jitra.

He said there were also rumours that he was going to have a second heart operation when he visited England last month.

"Those responsible for the negative reports are intentionally trying to cause unrest and maybe to jeopardise the economy by causing share prices to fall," he added.

Watan yesterday apologised to the Prime Minister for publishing a report that he was going for a second heart operation soon.

Last night Muslim ministers, deputy ministers and senior government officials broke fast with Dr Mahathir at *Seri Perdana*.

They performed their *maghrib* prayers after breaking their fast.

Among the guests were Deputy Prime Minister Abdul Ghafar Baba, Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Haniff Omar, Terengganu Menteri Besar Tan Sri Haji Wan Mokhtar Ahmad and Finance Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim.