

# Questions on Anwar's position resurface

THE position of Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and his relations with the Prime Minister have again come under the spotlight.

Immediately after his live appearance on television, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was asked during a press conference the "status" of his deputy.

His reply: "I can't comment what is the status of my deputy. (His) health? He is still standing."

Asked about persistent rumours that Anwar might resign, Dr Mahathir said reporters should ask his deputy.

"How do I know what he is thinking of," he said.

Asked if he would accept a resignation from Anwar, Dr Mahathir said: "If he gives a very good reason why he should resign, I have to accept.

"If he says it is health reason, 'I can't breathe anymore' and all 'that, how do I say 'you have to continue breathing'. It all depends on the reason."

Dr Mahathir described his relationship with Anwar as good. "Anwar is a member of the NEAC executive council that decided on the measures announced," he said.