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DON'T BELIEVE RUMOURS ON MAHATHIR'S HEALTH, SAYS PAK LAH

KUALA LUMPUR, April 6 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi today called on the people not to believe rumours on the health of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

He said Dr Mahathir is in stable and good condition.

" When I visited Dr Mahathir this afternoon, the doctors told me his condition is stable and he is still resting. I hope he will recover soon and resume his duties," he said.

Abdullah said this when representing Dr Mahathir at the opening of the Men's Tailoring Exhibition organised by the Spark Manshop Sdn Bhd in conjunction with its 21st anniversary.

He hoped that there would be no more rumours on the health of Dr Mahathir who was admitted to the National Heart Institute (IJN) on Friday for bronchitis.

" He is resting. Actually we want him to take a rest and receive good treatment.

" Hopefully, he will be back in the best of health to lead the country," said Abdullah who called on the people to pray for Dr Mahathir's quick recovery.

He said Dr Mahathir had actually wanted to attend this function and apologised for not being able to do so.

" He asked me to convey his regards to the management and employees of Spark Manshop and congratulated them on the occasion of its 21st anniversary," he said.

At the function, the company donated RM450,000 to the Malaysian AIDS Foundation.

Also present were Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Tajol Rosli Ghazali and Deputy Minister of Science, Technology and Environment Datuk Abu Bakar Daud.

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