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Abdullah: Rumours about PM naughty

KOTA KINABALU, Wed. - Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi tonight described people who spread rumours that Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was seriously injured after having allegedly fallen off a horse, as "naughty".

"This is the work of naughty people. They do not love our country ... a country where the economy has recovered and where there are good investment sentiments.

"Suddenly these naughty people have spread lies that the Prime Minister has fallen off a horse and is seriously injured," Abdullah said after attending a Hari Raya gathering at the Magellan Sutera and Spa Hotel, near here.

Abdullah said these "naughty people" were out to pursue their narrow political agenda.

"They are willing to do anything to hurt the economy," he said.

When asked if he has spoken with Dr Mahathir, Abdullah said:

"I have not spoken to him because he is on leave. I am sure if anything happened, I would have been told. No news is good news."

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