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Dr M: Find reasons behind loss

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. - Barisan Nasional chairman Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said the coalition would have to find the reasons why it lost in the Lunas by-election.

"We accept the defeat. But we have to look into the factors that led to the loss," the Prime Minister told reporters after meeting officers and staff of the armed forces at Wisma Pertahanan tonight.

Asked whether he was disappointed, he said he was. "But I want to know why we lost."

In Lunas, Kedah Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Syed Razak Syed Zain, who is State Barisan Nasional chairman, said the BN accepted the voters' decision.

However, he was confident that the BN would wrest back the seat in the next general election.

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