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on gifts

to Mugabe, Lim tells Govt

PETALING JAYA: Opposition Leader Lim Kit Siang has called for a full disclosure in Parliament of the gifts Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad gave Zimbabwean President Robert Mugabe during his time as Prime Minister.

The DAP chairman said the Government should explain the facts and circumstances of the gifts to Mugabe.

"Malaysians should be told not only the total cost of gifts or contributions which the Government had made towards Mugabe's 25-bedroom mansion, but also gifts that had been given to Mugabe and his government in the past two decades," he said in a statement yesterday.

Dr Mahathir had said he offered Mugabe timber worth RM100,000 as a gift from one head of state to another when he was Prime Minister.

Aliran president P. Ramakrishnan said the whole situation was extremely odd as the Cabinet knew nothing about it.