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Final check for Budget preparations

FINISHING TOUCHES ... Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad (standing second from left) checking on the final preparation by Finance Ministry staff last night for today's tabling of the 2002 Budget in Parliament.

Dr Mahathir, who is also Finance Minister, spent about one-and-a-half hours at the ministry in Jalan Duta, Kuala Lumpur, to get a first-hand look on how the staff were coping with the final checking.

Accompanying him were his wife Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali (fourth from left), Deputy Finance Ministers Datuk Dr Shafie Salleh (third from left) and Datuk Chan Kong Choy (left), and the ministry's senior officers.

Dr Mahathir is expected to deliver a 100-minute speech when tabling the Budget at 4pm.

Members of the public can obtain copies of the Budget at the Treasury building in Jalan Duta from 5pm.

Copies of the Economic Report 2001/2002 will also be available at the same place at RM60 per copy.

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