

PM: I've written to Goh on water rates

KUALA LUMPUR: Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad confirmed that he has written to Singapore Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong telling him that Malaysia wants the revision for the water price to Singapore to be negotiated separately from the proposed package deal.

"When we made it part of the package, there was no agreement. And when we want to separate it, they do not want it.

"I have written to him to say we want to separate water from the package because whichever way it is done, there seems to be no agree-

ment," he said after opening the Federal Territory Barisan Nasional convention yesterday.

Last week, Goh had said that Singapore was agreeable to a revision under the current water agreements but it should be looked at as a total package.