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BUNIYAMIN HOSPITALISED SINCE YESTERDAY, SAYS DAUGHTER

BACHOK, Sept 6 (Bernama) -- Kelantan PAS Information Officer Buniyamin Yaacob, who is expected to be charged with defaming Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, has been hospitalised since yesterday, according to his daughter.

The daughter, who refused to be identified, said his father was admitted to Kota Baharu Hospital yesterday after he developed a fever and started vomiting.

Buniyamin was sent to the hospital by one of his wives who is living in Kampung Bukit Marak near here, she said when met at her house in Kampung Keting, Gunung near here today.

She said her father is diabetic.

A spokesman of the hospital confirmed that Buniyamin, 56, was admitted to Ward 10 yesterday for vomiting.

The Attorney-General is expected to charge Buniyamin for making a defamatory statement against Dr Mahathir since there is sufficient evidence.

The former Bachok MP is alleged to have said during a ceramah at the Pusat Tarbiyah Islamiah Kelantan (Putih), Pengkalan Chepa in March 15 that Dr Mahathir had watched a pornographic video with his grandson.

A video clip containing a short excerpt of his speech was telecast by Radio Television Malaysia (RTM) recently.

Police reports have also been lodged against him in Kelantan, Kedah and Terengganu.

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