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Foreign workers remit home RM6.9 billion

FOREIGN workers in Malaysia remitted home RM6.9 billion between January and September last year, Finance Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said.

In a written reply to Datuk Yap Pian Hon (BN-Serdang), Dr Mahathir said in 2000, the outflow amounted to RM8.6 billion.

On unpaid bills of foreigners seeking treatment at government hospitals, Mahathir said the amount owed last year was RM7.17 million of which RM2.99 million was written off. In 2000, they failed to settle payments amounting to RM6.75 million of which RM2.78 million was written off.

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