

'If exposing me makes millionaires, why not?'

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Dr Mahathir Mohamad has sarcastically welcomed an offer of up to RM1 million per person for information about the former prime minister's alleged 'hidden' wealth.

"I wish everybody good luck. I hope they will earn more millions.

"I'm sure there must be quite a number of things they can find, and if they make money, why not?

"It is an easy way for them to make money," he was quoted as saying by The Star Online.

Mahathir (photo) was responding to an offer by the Citizens for Accountable Government Malaysia (CAGM) for information about alleged RM100 billion lost during Mahathir's tenure.

Mahathir agrees with Kit Siang

The emergence of the NGO coincided with Mahathir's intensified attacks against Prime Minister Najib Abdul Razak's handling of the Finance Ministry-owned 1MDB which has accumulated a debt of RM42 billion.

Mahathir had accused Najib, who is also Finance Minister, for failing to account for the money and demanded that he step down.

The timing of CAGM targeting at Mahathir has raised questions about the NGO's motive, including from DAP supremo Lim Kit Siang (photo).

On this, Mahathir said: "I don't often agree with Kit Siang, but today I agree".

CAGM president Md Zainal Abidin has insisted that it is not specifically singling out the former premier.

Mahathir also sarcastically said Najib should get rid of ministers who do not support him in the cabinet after the prime minister reportedly issued an ultimatum to his cabinet to back him on 1MDB or resign.

"If I was Najib I would have just gotten rid of them. Even back then, I threw out many people from office," he was quoted as saying in a function yesterday.

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