

**Mahathir: I'll testify in court if summoned**  
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KUALA LUMPUR - Dr Mahathir Mohamad said he was willing to testify in court over the Port Klang Free Zone (PKFZ) fiasco, if summoned.

"If a person is required to testify in court, he must do it. He cannot say 'I don't want'," he told reporters after launching the Yayasan Universiti Teknologi Petronas (Yayasan UTP) at the Petronas office here on Tuesday.

The former prime minister was asked if he would testify in the case, which had generated huge public interest, especially with former transport minister Dr Ling Liong Sik being charged last week for cheating the Government.

However, he stressed that "a prime minister could not be (held) responsible to the thing that he does not know".

Dr Mahathir, who was prime minister for 22 years until 2003, said there were a lot of things that happened without the knowledge of the prime minister and the Cabinet.

"Yes, the prime minister is always responsible. But there are limits to that responsibility. When he doesn't know something, you cannot say he's responsible," he added.

Earlier, Dr Mahathir, who is also UTP Chancellor, presented scholarships to Yayasan UTP's first group of recipients comprising seven students currently pursuing a foundation programme in engineering at the university.- Bernama

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