

**Mahathir In Stable Condition, Advised To Rest**  
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KUALA LUMPUR -- Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who was admitted to the National Heart Institute (IJN) today for a cough, is in stable condition and has been advised to rest, his son Mukhriz said.

Mukhriz said doctors had advised the former prime minister to take sufficient rest.

"There are no problems at all with his heart. Only a cough. Usually, when he has a cough, he needs adequate rest at IJN," said Mukhriz, who is deputy international trade and industry minister, when met at the IJN lobby after he had visited his father.

He said Dr Mahathir had to undergo physiotherapy as usual, take antibiotics and have adequate rest so as to recover fast, and that his outdoor activities had been curtailed in view of his present condition.

"My mother (Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali) is with him. We do not encourage visits by friends for the moment so as to prevent any infection," he told reporters.

Dr Mahathir, 85, was admitted to the normal ward at IJN at about 6am today after he developed fever and a cough over the last two days.

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