

# Dr M: I will come out with evidence of corruption

PUTRAJAYA: Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad yesterday upped the ante in his campaign against the Government — saying he would provide evidence of wrongdoing including corruption.

"There are several things which I will come out with, one at a time, evidence of corruption," he told a news conference "after delivering a talk at the Perdana Leadership Foundation here.

The former prime minister said he had evidence of corrupt practices of a minister who

served in his Cabinet.

"He was in my administration... I have some evidence but whether you can report to the police and expect proper investigation or not is of course something else... I know, the agency had investigated one person but there was no follow up. During my time, I thought that action was going to be taken, but no." He also noted that certain Umno division heads and supreme council members were involved in money politics.

Dr Mahathir also said that he was still not satisfied with Abdullah's rebuttal of the allegations raised by him.

"All he said is he didn't do this he didn't do that. My son didn't do this, didn't do that."

Dr Mahathir said Abdullah did not answer questions on the sale of Proton-owned Agusta for one euro and the plan to sell sand to Singapore. Ministers and heads of government-linked companies have explained all the issues raised by the former PM.

He took a swipe at the *New Straits Times* for saying in a report that his children were also involved in business when he was in power. Dr Mahathir said; "They can check how much money and how many tenders I have given to my children."

During the TV interview on Monday, Abdullah defended his performance denied suggestions his son Kamaluddin had benefited from their relationship, or that his son-in-law Khairy Jamaluddin had a strong influence

on his administration. Asked whether he would meet Abdullah to settle their differences, Dr Mahathir said; "The problem is that he should not have done these things. He can undo what he has done." Over the past few months, Dr Mahathir had accused Abdullah of reversing his policies, compromising on national sovereignty and running a Government with "no guts". It's unclear what Dr Mahathir wants undone by Abdullah.