

Allowance only from Petronas, says Dr M

PUTRAJAYA: Former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad receives a taxable monthly allowance from Petronas in his capacity as its adviser but none from other organisations in which he assumes the same role.

In a statement yesterday, Dr Mahathir said the monthly allowance was, however, wide off the mark from the hundreds of thousands of ringgit he was alleged to have received as advisers to Petronas, Proton, Langkawi Development Authority and Tioman Development Authority.

The statement was to clarify what he said on Thursday when he was quoted as saying that he did not receive a single sen in remuneration as advisers to the four bodies.

He said that when he agreed to be adviser to the organisations, it was purely to help in pursuing their objectives which he hoped would benefit the nation.

He said remuneration was never discussed.