

PM: I didn't know I had 11 unpaid summonses

KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi was unaware that he had 11 unpaid traffic summonses.

He said he did not know about them until he was informed by Deputy Inspector General of Police Tan Sri Musa Hassan yesterday and would pay them all tomorrow.

"I was just informed by Musa. I did not know about them. The last time I had summonses, I paid them all. Thank you for letting me know.

"I will find out who were driving the cars on those days," he told reporters after launching the police family day celebration here yesterday.

The Prime Minister was

asked to comment on an allegation by DAP that he had 11 unpaid traffic summonses.

On Thursday, DAP secretary-general Lim Guan Eng claimed that police had given Abdullah discounts worth 70% on his 11 summonses.

Lim said the police website www.rileks.com.my showed that three cars, with the regis-

tration plates WJB2800, WLP3142 and WCH13, under Abdullah's name, accumulated a total of RM3,300 in fines from June 29, 2002 to Aug 3, 2005.

The amount was reduced to RM1,000 after the discount.

The 11 offences were traffic obstruction, parking at no parking areas, parking at the wrong side of the road and speeding.

Earlier, when opening the family day celebration, Abdullah said everyone should love their family and not abandon their children or ageing parents.

"Family is the best because when nobody likes you anymore, your family will always be there for you," he said.

He said parents should love

their children equally so that none of them would feel left out.

He also said husbands and wives should appreciate each other, and show their love and affection.

"There is no point in regretting or feeling guilty after your spouse is gone. Love them while they are still with you."