

Nazri: Dr M's comments didn't tarnish government

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TUN Dr Mahathir Mohamad's criticism of the current administration has not affected the government.

Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Nazri Aziz said the former prime minister's questioning of the government had not jeopardised it in anyway.

"The prime minister has taken the necessary initiatives to ensure the success of the Vision 2020 concept," he told the House yesterday.

Nazri was replying to Che Azmi Abdul Rahman (BN-Kuala Nerus) who had asked Datuk Seri Abdulah Ahmad Badawi to comment on whether Dr Mahathir's criti-

cism had a negative impact on the Abdullah administration.

To another supplementary question by Datuk Abdul Halim Abdul Rahman (Pas-Pengkalan Chepa) on whether the government would consider Dr Mahathir's comments, he said the matter had been attended to.

"The prime minister, deputy prime minister and 30 Cabinet members appointed by the government do not simply make decisions that affect the people.

"Dr Mahathir was the prime minister for 22 years but he does not represent anyone now. The three issues that he raised have been answered at length in the newspapers," he added.