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## Dr M may be out of Melbourne hospital in a few days

KUALA LUMPUR: Doctors at Epworth Hospital in Melbourne, Australia, are looking into the possibility of an early discharge for Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who was admitted there for a chest infection.

The former prime minister was scheduled to give a talk at a seminar on human development organised by the Umno Club of Melbourne before he was taken ill.

But he had requested that International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed address the seminar on his behalf.

"Dr Mahathir continues to respond well to antibiotic treatment and physiotherapy at the Epworth Hospital, where he has been warded since Saturday," said Dr Mahathir's special officer Sufi Yusoff yesterday.

"Doctors are happy with his progress and are looking at the possibility of discharging him within the next few days," he said.

Dr Mahathir was accompanied by his wife, Tun Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali.

His son, Deputy International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Mukhriz Mahathir, was with them on Saturday.



Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad is recovering well at Epworth Hospital in Melbourne. With him is his wife, Tun Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali.