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Dr M admitted to UN for chest infection

KUALA LUMPUR: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has been admitted to the National Heart Institute (IJN) for a chest infection.

He was admitted at 6am yesterday after complaining of fever and

cough over the last two days.

Dr Mahathir, who is Petronas adviser, is currently undergoing intravenous antibiotic treatment and intensive chest physiotherapy.

His special assistant Sufi Yusof said in a statement that Dr Mahathir,

85, is expected to remain in IJN for a week and that he was responding to treatment.

Doctors have also advised him against receiving visitors with the exception of close family members, he added.

At about 1.30pm, Deputy International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Mukhriz Mahathir wrote on his Twitter, saying that "Tun M is resting and recovering from cough at IJN. Heart is ok. No visitors please."