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Nazri: Up to Dr M to choose sides

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KUALA LUMPUR: It is Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad's right to campaign for whoever he chooses, including the opposition said

Umno Supreme Council member Datuk Seri Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz yesterday.

"Its okay for Dr Mahathir to support the opposition as he has left Umno.

"I think it is his right to campaign for whichever party he wants to. He has chosen the opposition, it's fair for him."

His opinion was shared by Pas Pokok Sena member of parliament Datuk Mahfuz Omar, who said: "It's normal..."

"We are in a democratic country and he is not a member of Umno anymore."

MCA's Religious Harmony Bureau chairman Datuk Seri Ti Lian Ker said, as a former prime minister and an elderly statesman, Dr Mahathir should maintain a semblance of respect, decorum and dignity.

"He has always advised members and leaders alike to follow the proper channels or democratic process instead of being a rabble rouser."



Datuk Seri Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz

He said Dr Mahathir had vowed that he would not interfere but had gone back on his word during the rule of two prime ministers, Tun Abdullah Ahmad Badawi and Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

He said Dr Mahathir should look at the examples set by Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra Al-Haj and Tun Hussein Onn who maintained their dignity as elder statesmen despite disagreeing with his policies.

PKR vice-president Nurul Izzah Anwar said Pakatan Harapan welcomed support for its reform agenda.

"We also welcome support for the Parti Amanah Negara (PAN) candidate.

"We welcome anyone from Barisan Nasional, including ministers, provided they are committed to our reform agenda."