



Mahathir speaking on Pakatan Harapan's one year in power during a press conference at the Perdana Putra building in Putrajaya yesterday.

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PM proud of efforts to rid corruption

to change the way we make money (and that is) not by giving money."

"I don't think I am worse than (US President Donald Trump) or the French or Spanish leaders. By comparison, I didn't do badly (in leading PH)."

On the unfulfilled promises, Mahathir expressed hope that the people would understand that it is their money that would be used, if all these pledges were to be executed.

He pointed out that private companies would expect to make a profit when they embarked on road-building projects and the profit would come through the collection

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of toll.

"The people have to understand that the government still has to build more highways and maintain existing ones. We have to use the money from the taxes we collect."

"To abolish tolls, the government will have to spend at least RM30 billion. So, the question is, do we use the RM30 billion for that, or for more important purposes?"

Mahathir also denied allegations that his administration was merely rebranding initiatives introduced by the previous government by making improvements.

"We are using the previous

initiatives in a proper way. We have to do the same thing without corruption," he said.

Mahathir pointed out that continuous efforts to rid the country of corruption was one of the achievements for which PH should be credited.

"Since PH came into power, I have not seen problems in administering the country. Today, people don't complain about corruption involving PH Cabinet ministers," he said.

On educating people who still believe it is acceptable to receive illicit income, Mahathir said that over time, the people will realise that one had to work to get paid.