

# Dr M still receiving treatment but a lowed home

**PETALING JAYA:** Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad is still undergoing treatment at the National Heart Institute (IJN) but has been allowed to go on home leave.

A statement from the Langkawi MP's office said Dr Mahathir was allowed home leave for the past three days from Wednesday from 8am to 4pm, though he was still required to undergo physiotherapy and other medical procedures at IJN.

It added that both Dr Mahathir and his wife Tun Siti Hasmah Ali expressed their utmost gratitude for the prayers and well wishes from the public.

He has been advised not to receive any visitors during this period.

Dr Mahathir was previously admitted to IJN for an elective procedure on Jan 7 and was discharged on Jan 13. He was readmitted for follow-up treatment on Jan 20.

A video posted on Dr Mahathir's blog shows him thanking all those who have prayed for him and sent him well wishes and flowers.

A rather breathless Dr Mahathir says in the video that he has recovered, but not fully.

The 96-year-old, who can be seen walking slowly into his house, says he has been going home every day from morning to evening but returns to the hospital later.



**Catching up on the news:** Dr Mahathir reading yesterday's edition of The Star.

He also expresses hope that he will be fully recovered soon.

His daughter Datin Paduka Marina Mahathir had previously issued several statements saying her father was in stable condition.