

Mahathir hospitalised after fall

PETALING JAYA: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad suffered a fracture to his right hip following a fall at his residence yesterday.

In a statement, his office said medical assessment confirmed the injury and Mahathir is expected to be admitted for the next few weeks for treatment and observation.

The statement said the incident occurred at about 7.30am, after which he was taken to the National Heart Institute.

The matter was confirmed by his press secretary Sufi Yusoff via a message shared on the official "Dr M Media Updates" WhatsApp group.

Sufi said the 100-year-old statesman was taken to the institute by ambulance, conscious

upon arrival, and admitted at about 9.30am.

"He had a fall early this morning and normally that requires observation in hospital. He fell from one part of the balcony to the living room, as I was made to understand."

Mahathir was previously treated at the institute on July 13 last year due to fatigue, but was discharged on the same day.

Earlier, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim and his wife, Datuk Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail, conveyed their prayers for the health and speedy recovery of Mahathir.

"I, together with Azizah, pray for Tun Mahathir's wellbeing and swift recovery, *Insyah-Allah.*" - *By Qirana Nabilla Mohd Rashidi*

