

**Bring on the probe, says Dr M**  
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PUTRAJAYA: Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has no problem with an in-depth probe into the alleged RM100bil in losses due to financial scandals during his 22-year tenure as prime minister.

“You can audit. In fact, all Tuns must be audited, from the Tuns to the Tuns’ children and the Tuns’ grandchildren,” he said yesterday.

Dr Mahathir, who earlier attended a meeting with Mubarak, the NGO of former elected representatives, was responding to a recent blog posting by DAP adviser Lim Kit Siang, who demanded a full audit into billions of ringgit in alleged losses due to financial scandals during the former’s premiership.

On another matter, Dr Mahathir said PAS should appoint a non-Muslim as deputy president right now if they were indeed ready to do so.

He slammed the party for being two-faced and said Umno had suffered being called *kafir* (non-believers) for working with non-Muslims.

“What is wrong with working with non-Muslims? After all, they are also Malaysians,” he added.

On claims by former Umno supreme council member Tan Sri Abdul Kadir Sheikh Fadzir of vote-buying by Barisan Nasional in previous election campaigns, Dr Mahathir said those were allegations.

“He (Abdul Kadir) ought to know. Probably he used money politics to get his seat, that’s why he’s saying it. Otherwise, they won’t know,” he added.

Dr Mahathir also commended Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak for vesting powers on the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) to have full access to the declaration of assets of all members of the federal administration and their families.

He, however, noted that the exercise may end up taking up more time than necessary.

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