

**Raid at Hindu Wedding Reception a Misguided Move - Mahathir
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GOMBAK, June 4 (Bernama) -- Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamed said that the Selangor Islamic Religious Development (Jais) as a religious authority reserved the right to inquire into someone's religious status, but raiding someone's wedding was a misguided move.

The former prime minister urged Jais to refer to the Quran because there were many injunctions in the Holy Book with regard to actions to be taken when people denied they were Muslims.

"You (Jais) can investigate, but you cannot stop people from getting married. When you respect other religions, then other religions will respect you.

"I would suggest that they (Jais) go back to the Quran and not follow their own interpretation (of Quranic verses)," he told reporters after delivering a lecture titled, 'Contemporary Islamic Lifestyle: Fitting In or Taking the Lead' at the International Islamic Universiti Malaysia President's Premier Lecture Series, here, Wednesday.

Dr Mahathir was commenting on a report on Jais raid on a Hindu wedding ceremony at a temple in Petaling Jaya, Selangor last Sunday.

Jais claimed that the bride is a Muslim, but the bride denied it and said her father had converted her to Islam without the family's knowledge.

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