

Time Has Come For Government To Censor Internet - Dr Mahathir
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 1 (Bernama) -- The time has come for the government to censor the Internet, says Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

In the latest posting in his blog Friday, <http://chedet.cc>, the former prime minister said: "Not knowing the power of the Internet, I had promised that we (speaking as the then-prime minister of Malaysia) would not censor it.

"But today, I have changed my mind...because the players, including those controlling the servers, have been applying their own (brand of) censorship of what can appear in this alternative media.

"I have suffered from such censorship," he noted.

Dr Mahathir said he had first used the internationally available platform to host his blog. When hundreds of thousands visited the blog, suddenly the platform rejected hosting his blog site.

"I changed the platform but again, it was blocked. I have now changed servers and platforms three times. Still there have been attempts to block my blog," he said.

Dr Mahathir said the internet had played a major role in undermining public morality.

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