

Dr M told to take polygraph test before debate with Najib
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KUALA LUMPUR, Calling Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad a “compulsive liar”, Citizens for Accountable Governance Malaysia (CAGM) wants the former premier to undergo a polygraph test before calling for a televised debate with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

CAGM chairman Md Zainal Abidin said the NGO was willing to sponsor the test for Dr Mahathir, saying it was the only way he could make the public trust his words.

“CAGM has studied dozens of video footage on Dr Mahathir and concludes that he clearly exhibits the traits of a compulsive liar when answering the media on sensitive and delicate questions.

“Dr Mahathir has also exhibited selective amnesia when it comes to answering questions and this was proven during the Royal Commission of Inquiry on lawyer V.K. Lingam’s video clip scandal,” Md Zainal said in a statement today.

He was alluding to a video clip released in 2007 that showed Lingam in a phone conversation over the promotion of judges.

Dr Mahathir was allegedly involved in the scandal, but during the RCI into the video, he reportedly said he could not remember relevant incidents.

Ms Zainal said apart from the willingness to acquire a polygraph machine, CAGM will also pay the fees of a local or foreign expert to carry out the test on the former premier.

“Only if Dr Mahathir passes this test can the public trust him and only then he will have the credibility to take on Najib in a televised debate.

“We hope Dr Mahathir will accept our humble request.”

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