

SPAD, Jasa among entities disbanded to reduce government spending - Dr M

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PUTRAJAYA, May 23 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad today announced the disbandment of several government-linked agencies and institutions in a move to reduce government spending.

These entities include the Land Public Transport Commission (SPAD), Special Affairs Department, National Council of Professors (MPN) and Federal Village Development and Security Committee (JKKKP).

"Most of these institutions are not actually part of the government, (they are) supposed to advise the government. All these things will be disbanded.

"We don't need their intelligence; I think we are quite intelligent ourselves," he said at a press conference after chairing the first meeting of the new Cabinet at Perdana Putra here.

Dr Mahathir said the matter of disbanding the entities was discussed at the Cabinet meeting which focused on introducing measures to reduce the national debt that had reached RM1 trillion under the previous government.

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