

## **Up to Selangor government if it wants to acquire temple site - Mahathir**

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KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 29 (Bernama) -- Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad said today it is up to the Selangor government if it wants to acquire the developer's land now occupied by the Seafield Sri Maha Mariamman Temple in USJ 25, Subang Jaya, near here.

The Prime Minister reminded, however, that the matter of the land is bound by a court decision.

"We are still bound by the decision of the court. If the state government wants to do it, it has to take action to do it if it can ... take back the land," he said at a press conference at the Parliament lobby.

It was reported yesterday that there is talk that the Selangor government wants to acquire the land and hand it over to the temple.

Asked whether the federal government will want to acquire the land, Dr Mahathir said: "No, this is a state matter. Land is a state matter. We have no right. We have the right only with regard to the riots," he said.

He also said that the government will look into the need to be the mediator between the temple and the developer in addressing the relocation issue.

Asked what the government will do if the developer has committed any offence in the matter, Dr Mahathir said action will be taken according to the law.

"If there is any law that is broken, the law will apply," he said.

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