

I do not get paid for adviser posts, says Dr M

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LANGKAWI: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad said he did not get paid for being advisers to Petronas, Proton, the Langkawi Development Authority and Tioman Development Authority.

He said many people perceived that he was paid hundreds of thousands of ringgit.

"I don't get a single sen at all. I am provided an office by Petronas," he said when opening the Kedah Maju 2010 dialogue at Langkawi Lagoon Resort here yesterday.

Dr Mahathir said his last drawn salary was RM20,000 a month, adding that he was now a government pensioner who drew half the amount.

He also clarified that a politician holding two ministerial posts did not get two salaries.

He said a Prime Minister who was also the Finance Minister was paid only one salary.

"I find that people think we get paid a lot," he added.