

Pak Lah on Dr M

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He can say what he wants

PETALING JAYA: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad declined to wade into the controversy regarding his relationship with his predecessor, saying that Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad could say what he wanted.

"Tun is free to say anything and this is not a problem for me. We are a democratic nation," he said.

Abdullah said he was totally focused on fulfilling the mandate given by Malaysians to the Barisan Nasional under his leadership during the general election to achieve Vision 2020.

Among the other developments yesterday:

- > More Barisan Nasional leaders came out to voice support for Abdullah
- > PAS said it was not taking sides in the controversy but was willing to give Dr Mahathir a platform to air his views
- > Dr Mahathir spent the morning receiving visitors at his Perdana Leadership Foundation office and then chaired the foundation AGM in the afternoon.



FRONT-PAGE NEWS: How the local newspapers reported Dr Mahathir's attack yesterday.