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# Dr M hails boost for transport

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**Blood drive:** Dr Mahathir speaking with blood donors in Klang yesterday as Aeon chairman Datuk Abdullah Mohd Yusof (second from right) and managing director Nagahisa Oyama (right) look on.

**KLANG:** Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has welcomed the Government's decision to improve public transport because there is a serious need to give attention to the increase in demand from the public.

"With the increase in the oil prices now, the passenger load will be even bigger and there is a serious need to give attention to improving services," he said.

He was speaking to reporters after launching a pre-Ramadan

blood donation campaign organised by the Maktab Rendah Sains Mara Ex-students Association and Aeon Co (M) Bhd here yesterday.

Dr Mahathir said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi had gone on a ride on the KTM Komuter and LRT recently and, knew what the conditions were like.

"So, the improvements suggested in the Budget were expected," he said.

Meanwhile, Dr Mahathir said he believed PKR de facto leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim was looking to rejoin Umno, but whether the party would accept him was another matter.

He said he wanted to be prime minister if he joined but if this happened, he would deprive others of the post.

When asked about the chances of Anwar becoming prime minister on Sept 16, Dr Mahathir said: "God forbid, he will not."