

The rise and rise of Dr Mahathir Mohamad



HIS MANY ACHIEVEMENTS

The Prime Minister has personally given birth to many unique ideas which eventually led to projects like:



JULY 10 1925

> Born in Alor Star, Kedah.



1946

> Joins Umno upon its formation.

1947

> Studies medicine in Singapore on a partial scholarship by the British colonial government.



1954

> Completes housemanship. Serves as Medical Officer in Alor Star, Langkawi and Perlis.

1957

> Resigns as government doctor and sets up MAHA clinic.



APRIL 25 1964

> Won Kota Setar Selatan Parliament seat in the general election.

MAY 10 1969

> Loses the Kota Setar Selatan Parliament seat to PAS candidate Yusof Rawa in general election.

JUNE 21 1975

> Wins an Umno vice-president position in the party elections.

SEPT 6 1974

> Appointed Education Minister.

AUG 24 1974

> Wins the Kubang Pasu Parliament seat in the general election. Dr Mahathir would retain this seat in subsequent elections until his retirement.

DEC 12 1972

> Appointed Senator.

JUNE 25 1972

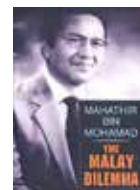
> Elected as a member of the Umno Supreme Council with the highest number of votes. Lost in the election for an Umno vice-president's post.

MAR 7 1972

> Re-admitted into Umno.

1970

> Writes The Malay Dilemma, a book on his political philosophy concerning the Malays.



SEPT 26 1969

> Expelled from Umno.

MAR 5 1976

> Appointed Deputy Prime Minister.

JAN 1 1978

> Appointed Trade and Industry Minister.

JULY 16 1981

> Takes office as Malaysia's fourth Prime Minister.



APRIL 1988

> Umno declared illegal in 1987. Dr Mahathir then formed Umno Baru

JAN 18 1989

> Admitted to Kuala Lumpur General Hospital. Undergoes a coronary bypass operation there six days later, the first to be performed locally on a prime minister.



MAY 9 1997

> Goes on two-month leave. Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim appointed as Acting Prime Minister during his absence.

APRIL 14 2006

> Criticises the Cabinet's decision on the bridge, claiming the government had caved in to Singapore's demands.

MAY 31 2005

> Dr Mahathir as Proton adviser lashes out on the awarding of Approved Permits (AP), marking the start of the AP war.

OCT 31 2003

> Retires as Prime Minister.



JUNE 22 2002

> Announced intention to resign from all political and Government posts on the final day of the Umno assembly.



APRIL 2 1999

> Admitted to the National Heart Institute (IJN) to rest and undergo full treatment for a lung infection after he returned from performing the Haj.

SEPT 9 2006

> Loses bid to be elected Kubang Pasu Umno division delegate to the party's general assembly.

NOV 9 2006

> Suffers a mild heart attack, and was admitted to the National Heart Institute.

MAY 15 2008

> Quits Umno in protest against Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, saying he would only rejoin when Abdullah steps down.

APRIL 4 2009

> Applies to rejoin Umno after Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak became Prime Minister and party president.



MAR 8 2011

> Releases his autobiography, "A Doctor in the House: The Memoirs of Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad."



AUG 19 2014

> Withdraws support for Najib, saying his criticism of the Prime Minister and his policies had fallen on deaf ears.

OCT 14 2017

> Sultans of Johor and Selangor revoked his SPMS and DK (Selangor) titles after his "Bugis pirate" jibe against Najib.

MAR 11 2016

> Sacked as Petronas adviser.

AUG 9 2016

> Parti Pribumi Bersatu Malaysia is registered with Dr Mahathir named as chairman.



FEB 28 2016

> Quits Umno for the second time.

AUG 30 2015

> He and wife, Tun Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, attended the Bersih 4 rally.



2015

> Became a vocal critic of Najib's government.

JAN 8 2018

> Named as prime ministerial candidate for Pakatan Harapan. Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail, wife of his former political enemy Anwar, was to run as his deputy.

FEB 8 2018

> Has his Darjah Kerabat Al-Yunusi (DK Kelantan) title revoked.

MAY 9 2018

> At 92, two months shy of his 93rd birthday, he leads Pakatan Harapan to an unthinkable victory, ending the 61-year rule of Barisan Nasional.



MAY 10 2018

> Dr Mahathir, the fourth Prime Minister of Malaysia, is sworn in again as the seventh Prime Minister of the country, a double that has never before been done. At 92, he is the oldest Prime Minister in the world. He is even older than Queen Elizabeth II of England.

