

Respect court decision, says Dr M

BANGI: Former prime minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has called on the public to accept the court's decision in opposition leader Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's sodomy trial, which will be made today.

He said regardless of the outcome, the court's verdict was determined by the nation's laws and must be respected.

"If the court finds that (Anwar) is not guilty, then we should accept it.

"We should not feel that just because he

is a person in an important position, nothing has been done," he said after delivering a lecture at Universiti

Kebangsaan Malaysia here yesterday.

He declined to comment on how a guilty verdict would affect Pakatan or the outcome of the next general election.

"Let the legal system determine (the verdict). I have no say on this. Whatever they decide is whatever they decide. We are all equal before the law, regardless if you are the prime minister, deputy prime minister or a wealthy businessman.

"If you do something wrong, you should receive the same punishment as everyone else."

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