Civil servants urged to remain neutral amid Malaysia's political turmoil

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As part of the democratic process, changes in the political landscape should not influence the delivery of public services. All civil servants are reminded not to get involved in the ongoing political turmoil, former Malaysian Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad said.

KUALA LUMPUR: Civil servants have been reminded to remain neutral amid the country's political turmoil to ensure government delivery services continue smoothly, Public Service Department director-general Tan Sri Mohd Kharil Aidi Abid Rahman said all heads of departments have been instructed to carry on with their duties in line with the current policies.

"As part of the democratic process, changes in the political landscape should not influence the public delivery services. All civil servants are reminded not to get involved in the ongoing political turmoil. We must always remain neutral and avoid politicising," he said.

"Regardless of the levels and positions we serve in, civil servants must provide the best service to the people and the country," he said in a statement today.

Mahathir, who was prime minister for a total of 22 years, had asked civil servants to remain neutral amid the political turmoil.

He said all civil servants are reminded not to get involved in the ongoing political turmoil.

Earlier today, Tan Sri Mohd Yaacob said his resignation as the Prime Minister, along with his cabinet, to Yang di-Pertuan Agong Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri’ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah.

The King has accepted their resignation and conferred for Mahathir to serve as the caretaker prime minister until his successor is appointed.