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KUALA LUMPUR, March 13⁹¹ (Bernama) -- The theme of this year's Police Day celebrations is in line with the determination of the force to serve the community better, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad said.

He expressed confident that the theme -- +Discipline Under the Force's Colours+ -- would inspire police personnel to maintain their excellent service to face the challenges of the 1990s.

The police had contributed greatly towards peace and harmony in the country, he said in a special message in conjunction with the 184th Police Day celebrations.

Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir, who is Home Minister, hoped that all the officers and men in the force would strive to work harder under the new police flag which will be officially unveiled on Friday in Kota Kinabalu.

The Yang Di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Azlan Shah will hand over the flag to Inspector-General of Police Tan Sri Mohamed Haniff Omar.

In his message, Tan Sri Haniff said the theme reflected the desire of the police to enhance discipline at all levels to produce more quality personnel. -- more.

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Police took pride in the cooperation and support extended by the public towards them in discharging their duties, he added.

+I hope the understanding between the police and public will be strengthened to facilitate police work, especially the fight against crime,+ he said.

Tan Sri Haniff said police personnel would continue to discharge their duties with full dedication, fairness and discipline to uphold the country's laws.

He also said the national-level Police Day celebrations this year would for the first time be held outside Kuala Lumpur in Kota Kinabalu.

This year's celebrations have been brought forward (from March 11 to 16) because Police Day which falls on March 25 is within the fasting month. -- Bernama.

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