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A MAMMOTH RALLY AT MERDEKA SQUARE FOR UMNO 50TH ANNIVERSARY

KUALA LUMPUR, April 8 (Bernama) -- A mammoth rally will be held at the Merdeka Square here on the night of May 10 as the highlight of the Umno 50th anniversary celebrations.

Some 50,000 people, comprising Umno members and other Malays, will hear an address by Umno President Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad during the rally.

Umno Vice-President Tan Sri Muhammad Haji Muhd Taib said the event would be telecast live over Radio Television Malaysia (RTM).

Apart from the presidential address, there would be a video presentation on the struggle of the Malay and their hopes for the future, he told reporters after chairing the Tahlil and Premier Rally Main Committee for the celebrations here today.

Muhammad said the celebrations started earlier during the day with "sembahyang hajat" and tahlil prayers after the Asar prayers.

Some 10,000 Umno members from throughout the country were expected to attend the functions which would be held at the National Mosque, he said.

Outside the Kuala Lumpur Federal Territory, the celebrations started one day earlier with yasin recitals in all Umno branches.

Muhammad said Kereta Tanah Melayu Berhad had been asked to provide train services to ferry the people to Kuala Lumpur from Seremban, Rawang and Klang.

A premier dinner to be attended by about 12,000 would be held on May 11, he said. --Bernama

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