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DR MAHATHIR VISITS HANDICRAFT CENTRE

LANGKAWI, Aug 16 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad spent about 30 minutes visiting the Atma Alam Batik Art Village on his one-day tour here today.

The prime minister, who was accompanied by Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Sanusi Junid, toured the batik gallery and took a look at the art of making silverware and at various handicraft items from the states in Malaysia at the batik centre.

The centre's manager, Roshadah Yusof, said Atma Alam had its own batik factory and her batik had received orders from countries like China, Japan, Germany, Sweden and the United States.

Dr Mahathir, who is here to open the second World Hokkien Convention, also visited the Langkasuka Port project, luxury boat jetty in Tanjung Malai and cargo jetty in Tanjung Lembong.

He performed Friday prayers at Masjid Bayas and rested in Kampung Tok Senik.

Tonight he will attend a dinner in conjunction with the convention before returning to Kuala Lumpur. -- BERNAMA

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