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PM ATTENDS DEVELOPMENT BRIEFING IN JB

JOHOR BAHRU, July 5 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad this morning attended a development briefing at the Bilik Tayangan Tun Hussein Onn, Bukit Timbalan, here.

The briefing covered the Johor Baharu City Urban Renewal Programme, Kota Raya II project, development of Keretapi Tanah Melayu (KTM) Berhad reserve land and development of the second link and Bandar Nusajaya in Gelang Patah.

Earlier Dr Mahathir, who is Umno President, had a meeting with the Johor Umno Liaison Committee and representatives of the Johor Wanita Umno and Umno Youth.

Later in the morning the Prime Minister would lay the foundation stone and launch the piling works for the RM6 billion "JB Waterfront City" at the Tebrau Straits. The project is being developed by the Johor Coastal Development Sdn Bhd, a subsidiary of Syarikat Pilecon Engineering Bhd.

He would then inspect the progress on the Malaysia-Singapore second link and the second port at Gelang Patah from a helicopter.

He would attend the solat Jumaat at Masjid Jamek Tampok, Pontian, and join the people for lunch at the mosque ground.

Dr Mahathir would then leave for Parit Betak, about seven minutes by car from here, to launch the upgrading programme for Johor's kampung roads. The project would be implemented by Kumpulan Prasarana Rakyat Johor (KPRJ), a subsidiary of the state government.

From there the Prime Minister would cycle for about a kilometre along Jalan Parit Betak and then drive to Sekolah Menengah Parit Betak to launch the Johor state level Program Gerak Mesra. -- BERNAMA

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