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20,000 attend open-air charity dinner

DINNER UNDER THE STARS ... The crowd of more than 20,000 at the Mawar Haemodialysis Centre's charity dinner at the Seremban Municipal Council grounds on Monday night.

A total of 2,020 tables were laid for the dinner in which Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah were the guests of honour.

Among the diners were the centre's well-wishers, Rasah MCA members, State politicians and government servants.

A total of RM10 million in donations was collected at the dinner.

Also present were Menteri Besar Tan Sri Mohamad Isa Abdul Samad, his wife Puan Seri Hazizah Tumin, Transport Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik, Human Resources Minister Datuk Lim Ah Lek and Health Minister Datuk Chua Jui Meng.

Earlier, Dr Mahathir opened the haemodialysis centre in Jalan Rasah which has 15 haemodialysis machines.

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