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Dr M to launch expo on Bumiputera economic achievement

AN exposition on the achievement of Bumiputeras in the country's economic development will be held this coming Wednesday in conjunction with Umno's 50th anniversary celebrations.

Organised by Wanita Umno, the expo will be officially launched by Prime Minister and Umno President Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Wanita Umno chief Datuk Dr Siti Zaharah Sulaiman said there would be 11 economic sectors taking part in the expo including plantations, shipping and maritime, petroleum, aviation, telecommunications, financial, land and development and automotive.

"Over 100 public listed and private limited Bumiputera owned companies are expected to take part in the expo."

She added the expo will showcase Bumiputera achievement over the past 50 years through three economic policies, namely, the era before the New Economic Policy, during the New Economic Policy and under the current National Development Policy.

Investors, entrepreneurs, foreign visitors, students and members of the public will also experience a multimedia portrayal of economic growth spanning five decades at the expo, said Zaharah.

"It is not merely an exhibition of Bumiputera achievement but also their contributions to the country's economic growth," she said in a Press conference in Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

The expo, said Zaharah, was also a demonstration how Bumiputeras, as well as all Malaysians, transcended geographical boundaries and surmounted trade barriers and the exchange of ideas, opportunities, knowledge and funds.

Malaysia is today part of the global village that has emerged out of a borderless world mainly attributed to information technology and far-reaching Government policies that promote businesses, she added.

The 12-day expo will be held at the Tun Razak Hall at the Putra World Trade Centre.

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