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MAHATHIR'S UPM VISIT ON THE INTERNET

SERDANG, April 3 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will launch several Information Technology (IT) projects when he visits Universiti Pertanian Malaysia (UPM), here today.

UPM is part of the IT and multimedia development area in the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC) project covering a 15km by 50km zone south of Kuala Lumpur.

Dr Mahathir will launch UPM-MTDC Technology Incubation Centre One, a joint venture with the Malaysian Technology Development Corporation (MTDC) Berhad, apart from the UPMNet and UPM Online.

He will also visit the Time-Telekom earth satellite.

The UPM visit will be broadcast live over the Internet and those interested can assess the web site at <http://202.186/53/3/pmvisit>.

The UPM-MTDC Technology Incubation Centre One was started last year to promote Research and Development in the use of IT and mutlimedia.

Nine companies are in operations at the centre which is the first of its kind in the country. The centre is situated within the university's campus.

UPMNet is an in-campus optic fibre network while UPM Online uses computers for administrative and educational purposes.

Dr Mahathir will also be briefed on the UPM's project of "One Student One Computer" through a financing scheme provided by Bank Islam.

He will also hold a dialogue with university's staff and students.

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