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PM ARRIVES FOR ONE-DAY VISIT TO PULAU PINANG

PULAU PINANG, April 22 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad arrived here today for a one-day official visit to the state.

Dr Mahathir was welcomed at the Bayan Lepas International Airport by Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon, Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Mohamed Shariff Omar and state executive councillors.

He then proceeded to the Bayan Lepas Expressway project site to open the highway and later witnessed the signing of an agreement on the Jelutong Expressway.

Dr Mahathir is also scheduled to inspect the Bayan Bay commercial project in Pantai Jerejak, here, and open the Unico Technology factory in the Perai free trade zone.

In the afternoon he will attend a gathering with the people at Sekolah Menengah Agama Al-Irsyad in Tasek Gelugor before returning to Kuala Lumpur with his wife, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, by a special flight from the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) base in Butterworth. Dr Siti Hasmah will arrive here before the function. -- BERNAMA

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