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PM touched by people's support

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. - Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who is recovering from flu, today expressed his appreciation to the crowd which turned out in full force to welcome him in Pahang last week.

The Prime Minister said he was touched by their show of support, especially the thousands who had waited at the Royal Malaysian Air Force base in Kuantan last Saturday and subsequently at a ceremony organised by the DRB-Hicom Group in Pekan.

Dr Mahathir was unable to attend both events as he was down with flu.

A statement issued by the Prime Minister's Department says: "Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is recovering from flu. He, however, still needs to rest.

"As such his working visit to London on Oct 21 and 22, where he is scheduled to deliver keynote addresses at several conferences, has been cancelled. He is, however, scheduled to attend the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting from Oct 24 to 27 in Edinburgh, Scotland.

"The Prime Minister is touched by the turnout of thousands of people to welcome him in Kuantan and the ceremony organised by DRB-Hicom in Pekan last Saturday.

"He is disappointed that he was unable to attend the functions and thanked the people for their warm welcome and support."

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