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PRIME MINISTER TO VISIT KELANTAN ON APRIL 4

KOTA BAHARU, March 20 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is scheduled to make a one-day working visit to Kelantan on April 4.

Rural Development Minister Datuk Annuar Musa said today Dr Mahathir was scheduled to arrive at the airport here at 8.45am and leave for Kuala Lumpur at 6.30pm.

"During his visit, the prime minister will open several factories here as well as witness the signing of memorandums of understanding with the private sector," Annuar, who is the state Barisan Nasional (BN) chairman, said after chairing the state BN meeting here.

He said Dr Mahathir would also meet government officers and businessmen in the state.

Annuar said Dr Mahathir's itinerary would be announced by the Prime Minister's Department.

He said Menteri Besar Datuk Nik Abdul Aziz Nik Mat and other state leaders were expected to turn up to welcome the prime minister.

Annuar said the visit would not include political programmes like party gatherings or meetings.

It was hoped that Dr Mahathir's visit would have positive effects on Kelantan's economy, he added. -- BERNAMA

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