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SARAWAK TO CREATE CYBER VILLAGE

KUCHING, April 15 (Bernama) -- Sarawak will create a cyber-village to support the development of the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC) now taking shape in Kuala Lumpur, Chief Minister Tan Sri Haji Abdul Taib Mahmud said today.

He said the cyber-village, of which the initial outlay had already started, would be sited at the Sama Jaya High-Tech Industrial park, near here.

"Now we have to get experts in Information Technology (IT) to assess for us (the creation of such a village)," he told reporters after attending a video-conferencing with the Prime Minister, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, from Kuala Lumpur, on the MSC.

Abdul Taib said there was only one cyber-city for the MSC with a well-defined set-up to include the application of IT and equipment not only for the various levels of the high-tech industry but also to encourage the growth of research and interaction among researchers of manufacturing.

Another aspect was the trial application of all IT equipment and the use of communication in daily transactions with the government and commerce, he added.

"For that you need a city. In our case, we call it a cyber-village," he said. -- BERNAMA

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