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Dr M making one-day visit to Kelantan tomorrow

KOTA BARU, Thurs. - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is scheduled to make a one-day working visit to Kelantan on Saturday.

He is expected to address about 15,000 people on the country's economic situation at a Pemimpin Bersama Rakyat programme at Sekolah Kebangsaan Kampung Chengal.

The Rural Development Ministry's deputy secretary-general, Rahmah Kassim, said the Prime Minister and his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali would be accorded a traditional welcome on arrival.

Rahmah said the programme, themed "Our Country, Our Responsibility", would be attended by political and community leaders, heads of department and villagers.

"The Prime Minister is expected to touch on the economic problems and how the people can play a role in the recovery programmes," she said at a Press briefing.

The programme includes a procession of 2,500 people wearing traditional costumes, and the 16th Commonwealth Games' mascot "Wira", Rahmah added.

"The aim of combining cultural elements and sports is to bring about a spirit of patriotism."

Dr Mahathir will later launch a new bridge at the village.

He will also open an education centre known as Putra or Pusat Ukhuwah, Tarbiah dan Riadah Rakyat.

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