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Dr Mahathir to hand over flag

PRIME Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will hand over Jalur Gemilang, the national flag, to the Commonwealth Games contingent on July 28.

Dr Mahathir is scheduled to meet the athletes at the Universiti Tenaga Nasional in Bangi a day earlier for their first phase of centralised training.

Malaysian chef-de-mission Datuk Khalid Yunus announced this yesterday when he visited the women's hockey team and rhythmic gymnasts at the Bukit Jalil Sports Complex.

The first phase of centralised training for all athletes is on July 27-31 followed by the final phase from Aug 20 till the start of the Games on Sept 11.

Except for those athletes or teams in competition, attendance is compulsory.

Malaysia are expected to select 270 athletes for the Games.

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