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Stuntman-Record

LOCAL STUNTMAN ALL GEARED UP FOR RECORD-BREAKING FEAT AT KL TOWER

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 8 (Bernama) -- Local stuntman Saharudin Yusof is all geared up to be the first Malaysian to abseil the 421-metre Kuala Lumpur Tower, judging from a successful rehearsal today.

Saharudin, 37, took about 30 minutes to abseil from the tower crane level at 319 metres to the base of the highest tower in Asia and the fourth highest in the world.

He was accompanied by his assistant, Nik Khairul Fahmi Nik Boila, 23. Both are volunteers attached to the Fire and Rescue Department.

Three firemen from the Jalan Hang Tuah fire station -- Izhar Hashim, 45, Suhaimi Mamat, 21, and Kamalzul Anuar Zulkifli, 22 -- were on hand to assist Saharudin.

"I hope that with the support and cooperation of the department, I can make my dream to abseil the structure a reality," Saharudin said.

The five of them will abseil the tower at 9pm tomorrow.

Before abseiling to the ground, Saharudin will climb up the antenna mast at 102 metres from the tower crane level from where he will raise the Malaysian flag, Jalur Gemilang.

Janice Gan of CIS Network Sdn Bhd, the event organiser said the record-breaking feat was held in conjunction with the Malaysia Book of Records Awards at Dewan Wawasan PGRM in Cheras tomorrow.

It will be witnessed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and RTM Channel 2 will carry a 10-minute live telecast cross-over of the event to Dewan PGRM.

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