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MAHATHIR MEETS SABAHANS

KOTA KINABALU, Aug 15 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today started off the last day of his three-day visit to Sabah by addressing a 10,000-strong rally at the Likas sports complex here.

Leaders of the governing Barisan Nasional (BN) coalition were among those present.

Dr Mahathir took the opportunity to explain to the people the country's current economic problems and measures being taken to overcome them.

Later at 11am, Dr Mahathir, who is also BN chairman, opened the annual congress of another state BN component, the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP), at the Man Foh Sang community hall in Luyang here.

Dr Mahathir, who is accompanied by wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, was in Labuan on Thursday for a one-day visit to the Federal Territory where he also met Labuan Umno leaders.

Yesterday, the prime minister opened the fourth congress of Parti Demokratik Sabah and attended a dinner with the people at the State Legislative Assembly building.

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