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Penang gears up to celebrate Malaysia's 41st National Day

GEARING UP ... Workers putting up the main stage for the national-level National Day parade opposite the Universiti Sains Malaysia campus along Jalan Sultan Azlan Shah in Penang.

This will be the first time the national-level celebration is being held in Penang.

About 60 contingents comprising 7,000 people will take part in the march past before the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Cabinet members and other dignitaries.

The parade will march along Jalan Sultan Azlan Shah and into Lengkok Pemancar while motorised contingents of the uniformed services will parade their vehicles from the Pesta grounds in Sungai Nibong, past the grand stand to Jalan Udini.

A total of RM4 million has been budgeted to observe the nation's 41st independence day which will be celebrated for one-month from Aug 16 to Sept 15.

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