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PROTON UNVEILS NEW PERDANA V6, SATRIA GTi

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 12 (Bernama) -- The launching of the new Proton Perdana V6 and Satria GTi models by Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today marks another milestone in the history of the national car manufacturer, Perusahaan Otomobil Nasional Berhad (Proton).

Both cars have undergone an engine upgrade with the Perdana endowed with a new 2-litre V6 powerplant, chosen not only because the engine runs smoother but also because it gives more power and torque.

Due to engine smoothness and better sound insulation, the noise level in the Perdana is the best ever achieved for a Proton.

The full-sized sedan, touted as a "precision road machine", also has streamlined shape for low noise and fuel economy, Lotus-tuned suspension for surefooted performance, and disc brakes with ABS and intelligent "fuzzy logic" automatic gearbox.

A Perdana V6 owner will be cocooned in luxury with full leather upholstery, audiophile quality sound system with compact disc changer and capacious luggage space.

The Perdana solid retails at RM96,812.28 while the metallic version can be owned at RM97,468.15.

The Satria GTi's key features include a potent 1.8 litre engine, a precisely-tuned suspension system and a well-calibrated gearing system.

The car benefits from inspired styling with exciting yet tasteful exterior and interior changes to the base model Satria.

The generous glass area and slim pillars provide all-round visibility, enhancing active safety.

New in-cabin fitments include Recaro seats of new design, black interior trims, 4-spoke steering wheel with driver's side airbag and leather gearshift cover.

The GTi retails at less than RM70,000.

Proton chairman Tan Sri Saleh Sulong said the sale of Proton cars was increasing with some 9,000 cars sold in October compared to the average of 5,000 units sold monthly earlier this year.

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