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Residents urged to support Games

SHAH ALAM residents have been urged to support the on-going Malaysia Games, which Selangor are hosting for the first time.

Menteri Besar Datuk Abu Hassan Omar said yesterday: "It is important that the people take the opportunity to watch the events.

"With four more days to go, I hope the turnout will be better than what we have had so far."

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will officiate at the closing ceremony at the Shah Alam indoor stadium on Sunday at 8pm.

Abu Hassan said close-circuit televisions will be placed strategically at the Main Stadium for people to watch the closing ceremony if there is a full house at the indoor stadium.

He said 60,000 internet users have visited the Sukma website since April 18.

The visitors were from Australia, Britain, Japan, Switzerland, Hong Kong, Sweden, Finland, New Zealand and Argentina.

He said it was a good sign that sports in this country was also being followed by foreigners and it was also a good promotion for the Kuala Lumpur Commonwealth Games to be held in September.

\* PERAK, who are represented by 634 athletes, are confident of improving one step to fourth overall.

"Our target is to do better but it may be asking too much to be overall champions," Perak chef-de-mission Datuk Dr Isahak Yeop Mohamed Shar said yesterday.

He said the Perak contingent have performed to expectations so far and are on course to achieving their 35-gold target.

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