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STATE CHIEF EXECUTIVES DISCUSS ECONOMIC RECOVERY

KUALA LUMPUR, July 16 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today chaired a meeting of Menteris Besar and Chief Ministers at the Prime Minister's Department here.

The meeting discussed efforts to bring about economic recovery and increase food production in the country, a statement issued after the meeting said.

The meeting participants also deliberated on the role of the Federal and state governments in decreasing imports in line with steps to reduce the outflow of the ringgit.

"They also stressed the importance of every authority at Federal and state level taking measures to encourage local industries to step up exports," the statement said.

The meeting also dwelt on efforts by Pahang to supply water to Selangor and the Kuala Lumpur Federal Territory.

"Proposals on measures to clean up coastal waters and beaches of oil spill also received the attention of the meeting."

The meeting which began as scheduled at 2.45pm was also attended by several Cabinet Ministers.

All but Johor Menteri Besar Datuk Abdul Ghani Othman, Kelantan Menteri Besar Datuk Nik Aziz Nik Mat and Sarawak Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud were present.

Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Abdul Halim Ali and Attorney-General Tan Sri Mohtar Abdullah also attended the meeting.

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