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Azhar prays for speedy recovery of Dr Mahathir

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. - Azhar Mansor in his despatch to Langkawi today, is praying for the speedy recovery of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who is also the patron to the Jalur Gemilang challenge.

News about the Prime Minister's health condition was picked up by the sailor via Internet while heading towards Cape Horn off South America.

"I hope the PM will recover. He gave me a lot of encouragement to get this project off the ground. He has taken a personal interest in seeing this challenge a reality."

The Jalur Gemilang's latest position is at Latitude 52 degrees 10' 80" South, Longitude 109 degrees 02' 21" West. The yacht was headed at bearing 100 at seven knots.

Azhar is attempting to set a new world record by sailing non-stop around the world on a new East-West-East route.

He is expected to spend between 130 days at sea alone in the voyage. The journey will take him across three oceans and five of the Southernmost capes in the world.

Vigil keepers can join Azhar on-line at <http://www.jalurchallenge.com.my>
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