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MAHATHIR'S VISIT INJECTS NEW SPIRIT, SAYS RAMLI

IPOH, Aug 3(Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's two-day working visit to Perak which ended today has succeeded in injecting new spirit among the Barisan Nasional (BN) leaders to further strengthen unity and establish a solid platform to face the next general election.

Perak Menteri Besar Tan Sri Ramli Ngah Talib said although the visit was a short one, the prime minister had succeeded in giving spirit to the leaders and people of the state to continue supporting the government and maintain unity and stability in the country.

"The prime minister's visit this time is very meaningful and has succeeded in strengthening the family ties among Umno members in particular and BN members in general," he said after sending off Dr Mahathir and his wife, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali, at the Sultan Azlan Shah Airport, here.

Ramli, who is also state BN chairman, said Dr Mahathir's call to the BN leaders to meet the members and supporters at the grassroot level for feedback for the next general election was a wise move.

He said the Perak Umno liaison body chaired by him would meet as soon as possible to carry out the bidding and would send a report to Dr Mahathir as Umno president and BN chairman.

Meanwhile, Perak Gerakan vice-chairman Datuk Chang Kon Youn said Dr Mahathir's visit was very successful in view of the overwhelming support he got from the public at every function he attended.

He said government servants and BN component party leaders at all levels in the state should help get Dr Mahathir's messages across to the masses to counter the allegations made by the opposition.

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