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Negri BN to hold dinner for 22,250 in PM's honour

SEREMBAN, Wed. - The State Barisan Nasional is holding what it believes to be the world's biggest dinner with the attendance of 22,250 people in honour of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Aug 12.

The event, Malam Mesra Bersama Perdana Menteri, which is expected to enter the Guinness Book of Records and Malaysian Book of Records, will be held at the Seremban Municipal Council field here.

Organising committee chairman Datuk Dr Yeow Chai Thiam said today the event was organised by the State BN in conjunction with Dr Mahathir's two-day working visit to Negri Sembilan.

"The event will be attended by 10,000 Malays, 10,000 Chinese and 2,000 Indian guests as well as representatives of Government agencies," he said at a Press conference here.

He said a similar event held at the same venue in 1997 to honour Dr Mahathir attracted 20,200 people,

Dr Yeow, who is also a State Executive Councillor, said the event made it into the Malaysian Book of Records.

He said state-of-the art equipment would project onto the stage a giant mural featuring the portrait of Dr Mahathir and illustrations of his achievements, including the Twin Towers and Putrajaya building.

He added that tickets, which were sold at RM20 per person, had all been snapped up within a few days when they were offered for sale recently.

"We are glad to receive such tremendous response from the public and hope that this coming event will be a success," he said.

He said the success of the dinner would add to the country's growing list of achievements.

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