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OVER 1.3 MILLION HAVE REGISTERED TO WALK FOR THE NATION

KUALA LUMPUR, Nov 2 (Bernama) -- Over 1.3 million Malaysians have registered for the "Walk for the Nation" to be held simultaneously all over the country on Saturday.

A Youth and Sports Ministry statement here says Perak has the most number at 151,500 followed by Sabah (122,090), Johor (121,455), Pahang (118,239), Kelantan (117,357), Sarawak (115,997) and Kuala Lumpur (112,457).

Selangor has 98,010, Terengganu (85,350), Pulau Pinang (65,900), Negeri Sembilan (54,500), Melaka (43,501), Perlis (37,500) and Labuan (11,450).

However, the number is short of the two million targeted by the organisers, it says, adding that tomorrow is the closing date.

The walk, to be held at 293 locations in 116 districts, is to show the people's support for Malaysia's bid to host the 2006 Asian Games.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will lead the programme at the national level at Taman Tasik Titiwangsa.

Participants stand to win handsome prizes including a proton Wira 1.6 car, Perodua Kembara car and Modenas Jaguh, Kriss and Suzuki and Honda motorcycles in the lucky draw to be held in conjunction with the walk.

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