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PARLIAMENT EXTENDS SITTING ONE MORE DAY

KUALA LUMPUR, May 10 (Bernama) -- The Dewan Rakyat will sit for another day tomorrow to enable members debate all bills tabled, said the Speaker Tun Mohamed Zahir Ismail today.

This followed a message he received today from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad seeking a one-day extension the government needed for that purpose, he said.

The House was earlier scheduled to adjourn sine die today.

"I received a message from the prime minister which reads; + I am informing you that the Government needs the ongoing Dewan Rakyat sitting to be extended by one more day, that is Tuesday May 1, 1999, to give the Dewan Rakyat extra time to debate bills tabled+," he said.

Mohamed Zahir later allowed the application.

Up to afternoon today, four of the 10 bills listed for tabling and debate during the current sitting have yet to be debated.

They are the Service Tax (Amendment) Bill 1999, Tourism Vehicles Licensing Bill 1999, Revision of Laws (Amendment) Bill 1999 and the Civil Aviation (Amendment) Bill 1999.

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