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PM ADDRESSES UMNO YOUTH COURSE PARTICIPANTS

KULIM, June 12 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today addressed participants of an Umno Youth course on nation building at the Kem Bina Negara here.

Dr Mahathir, the Umno president, arrived at the camp at about 1pm after his arrival at the Royal Malaysian Air Force (RMAF) Butterworth airbase at 12 noon.

He left the camp at 3.40pm.

Several members of the course secretariat said they had been directed not to allow reporters into the camp. The reporters were allowed to wait near the entrance to the camp.

They said some 100 Umno Youth members are attending the course which began yesterday and to end tomorrow.

In BALIK PULAU, reporters were also denied entry into the Kem Biro Tata Negara here for the opening of the Umno Youth course on nation building by Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi.

More than 200 Umno Youth members are attending the course.

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