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Zulkifli-Convention

400 EXPECTED AT BN YOUTH CONVENTION IN TUARAN

TUARAN, Sept 12 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will be among leaders addressing some 400 members of the youth wings of the 14 Barisan Nasional component parties at the four-day BN Youth Convention here which starts on Thursday.

BN Youth secretary Zulkifli Alwi said the prime minister, who is the BN chairman, would deliver a premier lecture on Sunday which was expected to touch on the role and responsibility of BN Youth members as future leaders.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi would deliver the opening keynote address on Thursday while First Finance Minister Tun Daim Zainuddin and Education Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak would also be addressing the participants that day.

On Friday, Information Minister and Umno secretary-general Tan Sri Khalil Yaakob would speak on the preparations for the general election.

Zulkifli said a forum would be held during the convention and participated by Sarawak Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud, Pulau Pinang Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon, Sabah Chief Minister Datuk Osu Sukam and BN secretary-general Datuk Seri Mohamed Rahmat.

Resolutions tabled at the convention would be compiled as the "Tuaran Declaration" and presented to the BN leadership later, said Zulkifli.

About half of the participants of the convention themed "Continue the BN Struggle Into the Next Millennium" would come from the peninsula and the rest from Sabah and Sarawak, he said.

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