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PM launches revamped official website

SINCE Umno's president is also an Internet-savvy Prime Minister, it was fitting that Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad was asked to launch the party's official website yesterday.

Located at www.umno-online.com, the website has been re-constituted with a fresh design to give it a more 'portal' feel.

It contains the speeches of party leaders and has links to the websites of major domestic and foreign newspaper, television and radio organisations.

A major feature of the website is the E-Group, a facility that allows subscribers to post comments and criticisms.

Dr Mahathir launched the website at lunch break during the party's extraordinary general assembly at the Putra World Trade Centre.

His speech was also telecast live via the website with the support of Interactive Channels and TMnet.

Umno-Online head Shariff Hamid said the party's website also features updates on Umno activities, Press clippings and book reviews.

The site has registered one million page-views since its trial run began two weeks ago.

As part of the Umno-online promotion TMnet is waiving subscription fees for Umno members, starting today.

Shariff expects two million people to subscribe to Umno-online.

The website now has 12 search engines. This number will increase to 16 soon.

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