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DR MAHATHIR TO ATTEND "OPEN STREET PARTY" MALAYSIA OPEN HOUSE DO

PENANG, Feb 1 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad is among 30,000 visitors, including foreign tourists expected to attend the Malaysia Open House in conjunction with Chinese New Year on Sunday.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, Culture, Arts and Tourism Minister Datuk Abdul Kadir Sheikh Fadzir and Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon would also attend the open house to be hosted in "open street party" style along Lebuh Armenian/Lebuh Acheen streets.

State Executive Councillor for Tourism, Culture, Arts and Women Development Datuk Kee Phaik Cheen said the open house hosted by the Culture, Arts and Tourism Ministry would start at 5pm.

She said Dr Mahathir and his delegation would join the open house at about 8pm to witness Chinese cultural performances besides visiting buildings with historical significance.

The public can join in the Chinese New Year reception by buying coupons from the 20 participating stalls, she added.

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