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MAHATHIR'S PRESENCE HELPS BOOST SPIRITS OF M'SIAN DIVERS

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 14 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's presence at the National Aquatics Complex must have boosted the spirits of the Malaysian divers in the men's 10 metre springboard final as they went on to take the top two spots.

Mohamad Azheem Bahari and Yeoh Ken Nee, the gold and silver medallists respectively, were ahead of five other competitors from Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines.

Dr Mahathir, who arrived at the complex with his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, also presented prizes to the top three divers in the women's 3m springboard.

The gold medallist in the event was Malaysia's Leong Mun Yee while another Malaysian, Rosatimah Muhammad, collected the bronze. The silver went to Sheila Mae Perez of the Philippines.

Dr Mahathir also dropped by at the nearby Stadium Putra to give moral support to the Malaysian gymnasts taking part in the women's rhythmic event.

The national team comprising Celestie Chan, Goh Yi Wei and Sarina Sundra Rajah won the gold medal in the event.

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