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PM AND WIFE ATTEND WEDDING OF POLICE OFFICER

KUALA LUMPUR, March 8 (Bernama) -- Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali tonight graced the wedding ceremony of an officer of the police Special Action Unit (UTK).

ASP Sri Kumar M.Nair, 35, and his wife Kalyani Balakrishnan Nair, 28, were clearly honoured to have the prime minister and his wife at the ceremony held at the senior officers' mess at Bukit Aman here.

Some 500 guests were present.

The Johor-born Sri Kumar has been a UTK training officer since 1992 and had accompanied the prime minister as part of his security team on several occasions. The bride, who is from Penang, is the chief editor of Internet magazine "The Web".

Dr Mahathir and his wife also performed the Malay tradition of "menepung tawar" for the couple and watched them cut their wedding cake.

Sri Kumar, when interviewed, thanked the prime minister and his wife for attending the ceremony despite their busy schedule.

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