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UIM PROMISE MORE ORGANISED ENVIRONMENT NEXT YEAR

JOHOR BAHRU, Feb 25 (Bernama) -- UIM F1 Powerboat promoter Nicolo di San Germano has promised a more organised environment for the UIM F1 Powerboat World Championship at Tanjung Puteri next year.

"The set up of the venue here will be put in a proper manner to enable the crowd to watch the race in a more comfortable manner," said Nicolo today.

He said it was a great job done by the host and that Malaysia was taking the lead to raise the standard of the championship which he believed caught the attention of other hosts.

"In less than four months after Malaysia was chosen as one of the hosts for the championships, they managed to get things done in a fantastic way.

"I am surprised to see such a big crowd and some did not get the chance to watch due to limited space for the spectators.

"We promise things will get better next year because we know what to expect from the Malaysians. This is the first time the event was held here and the support was great.

"You will see a floating terrace for the spectators along the Tanjung Puteri bay in the next championship.

"Everyone will be accomodated with proper seats and we will work things out with the local organisers," he said.

According to Nicolo, this was the best ever Powerboat championship being organised by any host although Malaysia had less than four months to get things in order but everything went perfect.

"Of course the support by your Prime Minister (Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad) was great and it did not surprise me why you can host the F1 cars in Sepang very successfully," he pointed out.

More than 100,000 local residents turned up to watch the world event at Tanjung Puteri, a turnout which was unexpected by UIM.

"With such a big crowd, we promise to give everyone a comfortable environment next year and we already projected it...there should be more legs held in Malaysia," he added.

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