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Auction

WIM APPEALS FOR ITEMS FOR ITS INTERNET AUCTION PROGRAMME

KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 7 (Bernama) -- The Women's Institute of Management (WIM) today appealed to the public to donate items for the institute's charity auction to be conducted via its website.

WIM's chairperson Datuk Napsiah Omar said the website was expected to be launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Feb 22.

"We would like to ask the public to come forward and donate things they no longer want but still valuable so that we can sell them via our website. It's the first auction of its kind by a non-governmental organisation," she told a news conference, here.

The website launch is in conjunction with the official opening of Wisma WIM by Dr Mahathir, who is also scheduled to launch the WIM-ICT (information technology and communication) programme for women at the function.

Napsiah said a total of nine companies and institutions had agreed to participate in the WIM-ICT programme which would offer free computer lessons.

"This is our response to today's need. Women should have knowledge of ICT so that they can teach their children," said Napsiah.

The programme is open to individuals as well as organisations and those who are interested can contact WIM to arrange for lessons.

WIM can be contacted at [www.wimnet.org.my](http://www.wimnet.org.my) or 03-77250268/77250288 or 77299909.

WIM has organised, since its establishment in 1993, over 120 courses for more than 7,000 women throughout the country.

The RM10 million Wisma WIM at Jalan Abang Haji Openg in Taman Tun Dr Ismail here, houses a multipurpose hall, an exhibition area, hostel for guests, a library, seminar rooms as well as a special hall named Women's Hall of Fame.

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