

PM to open Penang BN convention

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PENANG, Fri. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will launch the Penang Barisan Nasional convention during his one-day visit to the State on Nov 2.

The BN convention, themed *Barisan Nasional Meneraju — Pulau Pinang Terus Maju* (Barisan Nasional Spearheads, Penang Continues to Lead) will be held at southwest Balik Pulau at 8.30am.

Later in the afternoon, Dr Mahathir will be at a meet-the-people session in mainland Permatang Pauh.

Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Dr Hilmi Yahaya said the two events — to be held at the Balik Pulau Sports Complex and Tuanku Bainun Teacher's College respectively — will enable Dr Mahathir to visit rural Penang.

Dr Hilmi, who is the convention's organising chairman, said about 30,000 people were expected to attend the convention while another 20,000 were expected to turn up at the meet-the-people session.

"All BN component party members, supporters and the public are invited to attend both events," he told a Press conference here.

He said 300 BN youths would form a convoy on motorcycles and escort Dr Mahathir to Balik Pulau on his arrival at the Bayan Lepas International Airport.

In Permatang Pauh, the Prime Minister will present a lucky draw prize, a Perodua Kelisa car, to a lucky mineral water purchaser.