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AGONG TO CLOSE MERDEKA MONTH CELEBRATIONS IN PD ON SEPT 16

PORT DICKSON, Sept 4 (Bernama) -- The Yang di-Pertuan Agong, Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin Syed Putra Jamalullail, will close the Merdeka Month celebrations at the pesta site in Kota Impian. near here, on the night of Sept 16.

Menteri Besar Tan Sri Mohamed Isa Abdul Samad said today that the ceremony would be attended by the Datuk Undang Yang Empat and the Tunku Besar of Tampin, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his wife, Datin Seri Dr Hasmah Mohamed Ali and Culture, Arts and Tourism Minister Datuk Paduka Abdul Kadir Sheikh Fadzir.

"We expect more than 30,000 people to turn out for the event although Sept 16, being a Monday, is a working day," he said.

Sept 16 was chosen by the national-level organising committee because of its significance as the day of the formation of Malaysia, he told reporters after visiting the venue.

He said various programmes including cultural shows and performances by singers Siti Nurhaliza, Siti Nordiana and Ahmad Jais had been lined up for the event.

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