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DR MAHATHIR IN ALOR STAR TO DISTRIBUTE HARI RAYA AID

ALOR STAR, Dec 3 (Bernama) -- The Prime Minister, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, arrived at the Sultan Abdul Halim Airport in Kepala Batas near here today for a one-day visit to Kedah.

Dr Mahathir, who was accompanied by Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali was welcomed by Kedah Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Syed Razak Syed Zain, state executive councillors and leaders of Barisan Nasional parties.

The Prime Minister and Dr Siti Hasmah later distributed Hari Raya gifts to orphans at Dewan Jitra and visited Pekan Rabu.

While on the way to Dewan Jitra they met victims of a fire which destroyed a row of five shophouses at Kepala Batas early today. The fire claimed the life of grandmother Samsidar Sidi, 66.

The Prime Minister and Dr Siti Hasmah will break the fast at the Kampung Gelong Rambai Mosque, Jitra, this evening.

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