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Money Fair

KL INTERNATIONAL MONEY FAIR TO ATTRACT 15,000 VISITORS

SHAH ALAM, Oct 17 (Bernama) -- The Kuala Lumpur International Money Fair, which will showcase a vast array of coins and mints from all over the world, is expected to attract some 15,000 visitors, mostly groups of young coin collectors and mint admirers.

The fair is scheduled to be opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Nov 1 at the Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC) here.

The Royal Mint of Malaysia Executive Director Anwar Kamarudin hoped the fair would create a numismatic awareness among young Malaysians.

The Royal Mint will host the three-day exhibition cum conference. The inaugural event will also incorporate the Kuala Lumpur International Investment Fair (KLIF) and Kuala Lumpur International Collectibles Fair (KLICF).

"There will also be an auction of rare coins and notes from the lowest reserve price of RM50 up to RM8,000 per piece," he said.

The Malaysia Numismatic Society will organise the auction and also provide free valuation and authentication service to members of the public.

He said thus far 10 foreign mints and 20 local and foreign currency traders have confirmed their participation in the exhibition.

Anwar said Bank Negara would display its collection from its Currency Museum.

The Royal Mint, as the country's sole minter and producer of Malaysia's circulated coins, will also offer limited edition gold and silver coin sets to commemorate the recent Southeast Asian Games in Kuala Lumpur.

"Only 300 sets of such coins, valued at RM1,000 per set, were produced for worldwide distribution," Anwar said.

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