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PM TO OPEN TERENGGANU BN CONVENTION ON AUG 16

KUALA TERENGGANU, Aug 1 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will visit Terengganu on Aug 16, during which he will open the Terengganu Barisan Nasional (BN) Convention.

Dr Mahathir will open the BN Convention at Sekolah Menengah Tun Telanai in Marang in the morning before launching a fishermen's housing development project in Tok Jembal here in the afternoon.

At night, the Prime Minister would attend a dinner with federal government officers at a hotel here, Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi told reporters after chairing the Terengganu Umno meeting here today.

"Today's meeting fine-tuned the activities lined up on the suggestion of certain divisions in conjunction with Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir's visit on Aug 16," said Abdullah, who is Terengganu Umno chief.

Abdullah said the meeting also discussed preparations for the Puteri Umno meetings which would be held to elect the movement's leaders at the branch and division levels.

"We have decided that division heads or members of the state Umno liaison body be directed to help in the meetings to be conducted at the division level," he said.

The state Umno management committee will monitor all Puteri Umno meetings in the state.

Abdullah said today's meeting also discussed the reports submitted by Umno division chiefs from Terengganu who were involved in the BN campaign in the two recent by-elections in Kedah.

"This is one way to get inputs from them because the Umno management council is also studying reports received," he said.

Abdullah later held an hourlong closed-door meeting with state Umno leaders, Umno veterans and former government staff.

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