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UMNO MUSEUM TO BE SET UP IN MELAKA

MELAKA, Sept 4 (Bernama) -- Melaka Umno will set up a museum housing various collections depicting the party's history and struggles.

Umno Museum project chairman Datuk Amid Nordin said the items to be displayed would include photographs, letters and other documents relating to the party.

The project would be launched by Umno president Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad next month and the museum was expected to be opened next year, said Amid, who is also State Assembly Speaker.

"We hope all Umno members, veterans and their family members would contribute relevant items in their possession for display at the museum," he told a news conference at Seri Negeri here today.

The museum will be sited at the heritage complex grounds in Bandar Hilir to capture the spirit displayed by Umno when first Prime Minister Tunku Abdul Rahman proclaimed the country's independence at Padang Pahlawan here.

The museum, a brainchild of Chief Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Ali Rustam, would help to educate the younger generation on the struggles and sacrifices of Umno leaders in the fight for independence, he said.

"All contributions for the museum can be made to the State Umno Office in Jalan Hang Tuah or State Public Library Corporation Office in Bukit Baru," he said.

Amid said the state Umno had already gathered 70 items, including letters from the first Umno secretary-general and photographs.

He said they would go on a nationwide tour to collect items for the museum.

The proposed museum will be the 15th in Melaka, bringing the state closer to its target of having 21 museums.

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