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PM TAKES CABINET MINISTERS ON A TOUR OF PUTRAJAYA LAKE

PUTRAJAYA, Sept 3 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today took several cabinet ministers on a tour of Putrajaya Lake located within the grounds of the Federal Government's administration centre, here.

The tour to look at the beauty and development around the lake took almost 45 minutes by boat and started from the area near the Putrajaya Lake Club.

The boat that took Dr Mahathir and the cabinet ministers also went under several bridges such as Jambatan Seri Bakti, Jambatan Seri Gemilang and Jambatan Seri Saujana.

Among the buildings whose beauty could be appreciated from the lake are the Prime Minister's Office Complex, Putra Mosque and an international convention centre which is being built.

The Putrajaya Lake, which was originally a two-metre wide canal, was officially opened by Dr Mahathir on Aug 28.

The man-made lake covers an area of 400 hectares.

The lake also includes a 197-hectare swamp with controlled water quality and a depth of 21 metres.

It was developed in two phases encompassing the development of the swamp and a temporary dam measuring 380 metres which will enable activities such as sailing, fishing, boating and other water sports to be held.

The lake is being managed by the Lake and Wetland Unit under the Putrajaya Corporation which is responsible for the management of the overall administration area of 4,932 hectares.

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