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DR M TO LAUNCH PUTERI UMNO'S SPECIAL POLLS UNIT

ALOR STAR, Feb 5 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will for the first time launch Puteri Umno's special election unit at Dewan Wawasan in Jitra, near here, on Friday.

Kedah Puteri Umno chief Suraya Yaakob said the unit would be launched in the state as it had 666 ballot boxes, the biggest in the country.

She said 7,000 Puteri Umno members from throughout the country would attend the launch.

In conjunction with the launch, various events would be organised, including briefings and an exhibition themed "Kedah Developed State in 2010," she told reporters.

State Assembly Speaker Datuk Badruddin Amiruldin would give a talk apart from discussions on current issues and roles of women, she said.

A sketch on the general election and a magic show would also be shown to the public while students from schools in the Kubang Pasu parliamentary constituency would receive bursaries from Bakti, she added.

Dr Mahathir is the Member of Parliament for Kubang Pasu while his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali is the President of Bakti (Association of Wives of Ministers and Deputy Ministers).

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