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Mahathir-Langkawi

DR M INSPECTS PROJECTS IN LANGKAWI

LANGKAWI, April 19 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today inspected several development projects here, including work on two new blocks of the Galleria Perdana.

Soon after arrival at the Langkawi International Airport in Padang Matsirat at about 10.45am from Alor Star, he proceeded to Jalan Ayer Hangat to check out the RM24 million Galleria Perdana extension project.

He was accompanied by his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali and Kedah Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Syed Razak Syed Zain.

Work on the new blocks began in February last year and is scheduled to be completed at the end of this year.

The new blocks will have a surau, souvenir shop, cafeteria, laboratory for cleaning souvenirs and 150-seat auditorium.

The prime minister, who is on a two-month leave, then visited the Wavemaster Langkawi project in Tanjung Lembong, a centre for repairing luxury vessels and yachts. He then went on an hour-long cruise around Pantai Kok.

Dr Mahathir also inspected the Harbour Park Langkawi in Teluk Burau, where he was given a briefing on the progress of the RM40 million project, which is based on the Mediterranean concept.

After stopping at the Tok Senik Resort, Dr Mahathir then flew back to Kuala Lumpur.

Earlier, in Alor Star, Dr Mahathir visited his older sister, Rafeah, 90, for about 30 minutes at her house in Jalan Pegawai.

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