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MIC PAYS TRIBUTE TO DR MAHATHIR

KUALA LUMPUR, May 10 (Bernama) -- The MIC paid tribute to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad in a VCD presentation at the party's 57th annual general assembly here today.

The 10-minute VCD presentation showed Dr Mahathir from his early years to the present day, covering his political as well as private life. It also showed his relationship with the Malaysian Indian community since he took the helm of the country 22 years ago.

It is an in-house production of the MIC, the largest Indian political party in the country.

Meanwhile, there were initial glitches when voting to pick the 23 MIC Central Working Committee began at noon.

This was because the party, for the first time this year, is using an electronic voting system which provides results of the polls within 30 minutes after voting is completed.

Speaker Tan Sri G. Vadivello had a tough time instructing delegates on the do's and don'ts of the system, which was installed by IT experts from Bangalore.

However, the situation was back to normal after they were fixed and delegates briefed on how the system works.

Party officials earlier conducted briefing sessions for the 1,497 delegates to the assembly on the system. Results of the voting will for the first time in the party's history be released by 4.30pm.

In the past, it would take at least three hours for the counting of votes and six hours for the voting to complete.

The party also accorded recognition to three outstanding Malaysian Indian sportsmen and women. S.Premila, a karate exponent who represented the nation, was presented with RM15,000 and a gold medal from the party for her sports feat.

Also honoured were R. Puvaneswaran, now a karate coach, who received RM10,000 and a gold medal, and M. Sri Rajarajeswari, also a karate coach, who received RM5,000 and a gold medal.

All the three athletes were presented their gifts by MIC president Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu.

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