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PM ARRIVES IN MIRI FOR ONE-DAY VISIT

MIRI, July 25 (Bernama) - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali arrived here today for a one-day visit.

They were met on arrival at the Miri Airport by Sarawak Chief Minister Tan Sri Abdul Taib Mahmud and Puan Sri Laila Taib.

Cabinet ministers, state dignitaries and a large crowd were present at the airport to greet them.

Dr Mahathir then proceeded to officially open the RM210 million new Miri Airport terminal.

This afternoon, Dr Mahathir is scheduled to be conferred the Anugerah Darjah Satria Bintang Sarawak (SBS) by the Yang Dipertua Negeri Tun Abang Muhammad Salahuddin.

The award, which carries the title "Pehin" is bestowed on him in conjunction with the 40th anniversary of Sarawak's independence in Malaysia.

Dr Mahathir is scheduled to open the extension building of Sekolah Menengah Bantuan Chung Hua before leaving for Kuala Lumpur this evening.

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