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OIC-Expo (Preparations)

PREPARATIONS FOR OIC EXPO IN FULL SWING

PUTRAJAYA, Oct 12 (Bernama) -- Preparations for the 10th Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC) Expo 2003 are on full swing as the exhibitors have less than 24 hours to complete their booths.

They were seen putting the final touches to their booths while some were still half-way through.

"Twenty-four hours for the contractors to put up the booths are a lot of time, they can do wonders," said Melina Mohd Sani, Marketing and Public Relations Manager of F&R Exhibition Conference Sdn Bhd.

F&R Exhibition is the organiser of the expo. The exhibition, from Tuesday till Sunday, will be held at the expo site next to the Putrajaya Convention Centre, the summit venue.

The expo, the first of its kind during OIC Summits, covers a total of 10,736 sq metres.

It has attracted more than 600 companies, including from non-member states like France, China, Taiwan and South Korea.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad will open the expo on Tuesday.

Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi is scheduled to visit the expo the following day.

Participating countries are also given the opportunity to perform cultural shows to the public throughout the six-day expo.

Melina said Indonesia and Pakistan have confirmed their participation in the cultural show.

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