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Mahathir-Book

BOOK ON DR M'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO SPORTS TO BE LAUNCHED THIS MONTH

KUALA LUMPUR, Jan 6 (Bernama) -- A book titled "Dr Mahathir: Father of Sports Development Malaysia," will be launched end of this month.

The 400-page book relating Dr Mahathir's contributions to the country's sports development during his tenure as Prime Minister, would be published in English and Bahasa Malaysia.

Mandarin and Tamil versions of the book would be available in March.

The book is jointly published by Ramcell Communications (M) Sdn Bhd and the Sports Council of the Malaysian Broadcasting Department which publishes the Gold magazine.

Ramcell Communications Managing Director Datuk Raja Mohamad Raja Abdullah said the book contains important facts and pictures of Dr Mahathir's leadership as Prime Minister and his efforts to develop sports in Malaysia.

Raja Mohamad, who is also the editor of Gold, said the book was specially dedicated to Dr Mahathir who would retire in October.

"Under his leadership, Malaysia successfully staged several world-class sports championships like the Commonwealth Games, Formula One, World Cup Golf, Le Tour De Langkawi, Ironman Langkawi, Malaysia Sevens, World F1 Powerboat and several Asian and Asean-level tournaments," he said.

Also, during his tenure, several Malaysia Boleh "Malaysia Can" projects were launched like the expedition to scale Mount Everest and going round-the-world solo on a yacht by mariner Datuk Azhar Mansor.

He hoped the book would be used as an informative reference material by all and also as a historical material to be distributed to schools and local tertiary learning institutions.

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