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ABDULLAH TO OPEN UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI PETRONAS ON SUNDAY

IPOH, Aug 18 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi will officially open the national oil corporation Petronas's educational arm, the Universiti Teknologi Petronas (UTP) in Tronoh, about 25km from here on Sunday.

The university said in a statement here today that UTP Chancellor and former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad will also be present along with Perak Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Tajol Rosli Ghazali and Petronas President Tan Sri Mohd Hassan Marican.

The UTP was established on Jan 10, 1997 when Petronas was invited by the Government to set up the university.

The campus is built on a 400-hectare site which was initially used as a branch by Universiti Sains Malaysia.

It offers a wide range of engineering and technology courses.

The UTP now has a student population of 4,568 including 335 foreign students who are from Turkmenistan, South Africa, the Sudan, Chad, Yemen, Mozambique, Timor Leste, Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand, Indonesia, Pakistan, India and Iran.

To date, the university has produced 787 graduates.

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