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PM tours marina and harbour park projects on Langkawi island

LANGKAWI, Sun. - Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad capped off his celebration of Merdeka today with a working visit to this island.

Arriving at the Langkawi International Airport at 5pm, Dr Mahathir, who was accompanied by Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Syed Razak Syed Zain, went to the Harbour Park Valley and Marina project at Pantai Kok.

The RM40 million project, a joint venture between Benua Perdana Sdn Bhd and the Langkawi Development Authority (Lada), is designed to accommodate 100 sailing vessels.

Sporting Mediterranean influences in its design and architecture, the harbour park and marina is being built on a 12-hectare site.

It will include a marina management office, a Petronas station and surau, a Customs and Immigration complex, a 120-unit condominium, a hotel and commercial units.

The project is still under development, but several components, such as the Petronas station, are already operational.

Dr Mahathir was briefed on the project's progress by consultant Datuk Azhar Mansor, who is also the first Malaysian to sail solo around the world.

Also present was Lada general manager Datuk Anwar Abdul Rahman.

Dr Mahathir, who will spend the night at the Kampung Tok Senik Resort, is expected to continue his tour of projects on the island tomorrow before departing for Kuala Lumpur.