

Public Invited To Join Merdeka, Malaysia Day Celebrations At Dataran Merdeka On Sept 16
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PETALING JAYA, Sept 10 (Bernama) -- Members of the public are invited to join in the 54th Merdeka Day celebration which will be held simultaneously with the Malaysia Day celebration on Sept 16 at Dataran Merdeka, Kuala Lumpur.

Deputy Information Communication and Culture Minister Datuk Maglin Dennis D'Cruz said the public should show their patriotism by participating in the celebrations that were also aimed at educating the younger generation to appreciate the peace enjoyed since the country attained independence in 1957.

"The allegation made by certain quarters that the Merdeka Day and Malaysia Day celebrations have only received lukewarm response is indeed not true.

"This is because this year's Hari Raya Aidilfitri fell on Aug 31. So, it is just apt that the Merdeka Day celebration be held simultaneously with the Malaysia Day celebration on Sept 16," he told Bernama after watching 'Arangetram' dance performance by Ushamala Ganesan at Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Cina (SJKC) Chee Wan, Subang Jaya here.

D'Cruz also called on owners of business premises, offices and houses nationwide to show their patriotism by flying the "Jalur Gemilang" flags in conjunction with the celebrations.

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