

Grand Welcome Awaits Najib In Gua Musang Tomorrow
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GUA MUSANG, May 3 (Bernama) -- More than 30,000 people are expected to turn up at the Civic Centre here for the Kelantan 1Malaysia Community Carnival Friday, specifically to hear the speech by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

Information, Communications and Culture Minister Datuk Seri Dr Rais Yatim said preparations to welcome the prime minister, who is scheduled to arrive at the venue at 10am, were proceeding smoothly.

"With the cooperation of Gua Musang MP Tengku Razaleigh Hamzah, we expect 30,000 to 35,000 people will join us to hear how the government under the leadership of Datuk Seri Mohd Najib Tun Razak can embody harmony and help those in need," he told reporters after witnessing the full rehearsal for the launching of the carnival here Thursday.

He said the carival would also feature "dikir barat" performances which is very popular among the Kelantanese.

He added that the 1Malaysia Community was a voluntary organisation that was very active in running programmes to foster greater harmony among the people and offer assistance to the poor and destitute.

Meanwhile, on World Press Freedom Day which is celebrated today, Rais said the he prayed that members of the media fraternity and writers would be blessed with good health and be able to carry out ther duties with full responsibility.

He said the celebration was in line with Article 10 of Malaysia's Constitution which touched on freedom of speech.

However, he said the freedom was not absolute and that in expressing one views, the nations laws must also be respected.

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