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State Visit to Hungary

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, 18th November

– His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, commenced State Visit to Hungary with a State Welcome Ceremony at Kossuth Lajos Square, accompanied by His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen. His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam was welcomed by His Excellency Dr. Tamás Sulyok, President of Hungary, and accorded full ceremonial honours.

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His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, receives the Hungary's state honour, The Grand Cross of The Hungarian Order of Merit with Chain and Gold Star by His Excellency President of Hungary.

Cooperation across multiple fields continues to be strengthened

HA NOI, SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM, 30th November – His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, undertaking a State Visit to the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam from at the invitation of His Excellency Luong Chuong, President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam.

His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam was accompanied by His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen.

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His Royal Highness signs Book of Condolences

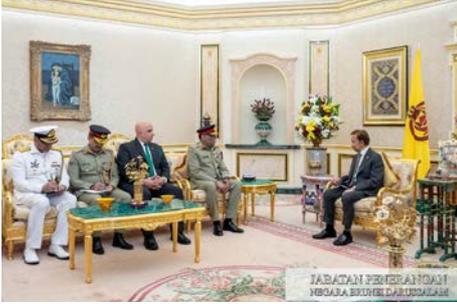
BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 4th November - His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office as representative of the Government of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam signed the Book of Condolences at the Royal Thai Embassy in Brunei Darussalam, following the passing of Her Majesty Queen Sirikit, the Queen Mother of the Kingdom of Thailand on 24th October.



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office signing the Book of Condolences following the passing of Her Majesty Queen Sirikit, The Queen Mother of the Kingdom of Thailand.

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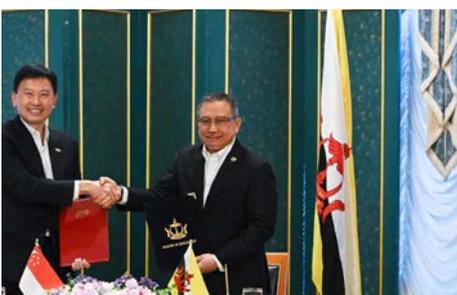
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His Majesty receives audiences

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam received in audiences at the Istana Nurul Iman:



His Excellency General Sahir Shamshad Mirza, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee of the Pakistan Armed Forces on 5th November.



His Excellency Soltan bin Saad Al-Muraikhi, the Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar on 10th November.



Associate Professor Dr. Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, Acting Minister-in-Charge of Muslim Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs, Republic of Singapore on 25th November.



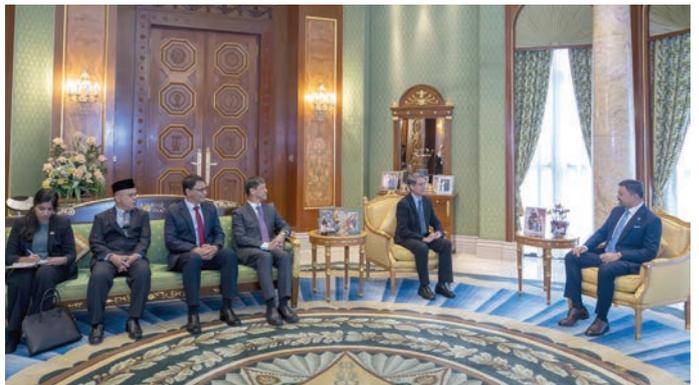
His Excellency Xiao Jianguo, the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to Brunei Darussalam on 25th November.

His Royal Highness receives foreign envoys

His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office received in audience at Qashr Al-Meezan:



His Excellency Xiao Jianguo, the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to Brunei Darussalam on 25th November.



Associate Professor Dr. Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, Acting Minister-in-Charge of Muslim Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs, Republic of Singapore on 25th November.

His Majesty sends congratulatory messages

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to send congratulatory messages to:

- His Majesty Preah Bat Samdech Preah Boromneath Norodom Sihamoni, King of the Kingdom of Cambodia and His Excellency Samdech Moha Borvor Thipadei Hun Manet, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Cambodia, the government and people of the Kingdom of Cambodia on the occasion of its 72nd Independence Day on 9th November; and
- His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tarik, Sultan of Oman, as well as to the government and people of the Sultanate of Oman, in conjunction with the National Day of the Sultanate of Oman on 20th November.

His Majesty sends condolence messages

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam consented to send messages of condolence to:

- His Excellency Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr., the President of the Republic of the Philippines as well as to the government and people of the Republic of the Philippines, following the recent impact of Typhoon Kalmaegi, which resulted in loss of life and damage to public property on 10th November;
- His Excellency Recep Tayyip Erdogan, the President of the Republic of Türkiye, the government, and the people of the Republic of Türkiye following the crash of a Turkish military cargo aircraft near the Azerbaijan–Georgia border on 12th November;
- His Excellency Luong Cuong, the President of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam, and His Excellency Pham Minh Chinh, the Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam as well as to the government and people of the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam following the recent flooding and landslides in several provinces in Central Viet Nam, which resulted in the lost of lives and widespread damages on 25th November; and
- His Majesty King Maha Vajiralongkorn Phra Vajiraklaochaoyuhua, King of the Kingdom of Thailand, and to His Excellency Anutin Charnvirakul, the Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand, as well as to the government and people of the Kingdom of Thailand, following the recent flash floods in Hat Yai, Songkhla Province, which resulted in loss of life and property damage on 27th November.

Building digital capacity, promoting AI innovation

GYEONGJU, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, 1st November - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, attended the APEC Economic Leaders' Retreat (Session 2), held at the Gyeongju Hwabaek International Convention Center (HICO).

During the session, where APEC member economies discussed emerging global trends, His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam delivered a *titah* (royal speech) identifying artificial intelligence (AI) as a key driver of future development, in line with Brunei Darussalam's Digital Transformation Plan and Smart Nation Vision.

His Majesty underscored cultural and creative industries as catalysts for innovation and economic opportunity. Inclusive support through access to financing, capacity development, intellectual property protection, and global market connectivity can help transform their potential into tangible economic value.

His Majesty expressed support for APEC initiatives and collaborations that enhance creativity and skills, build digital capacity, and promote responsible AI innovation.

In concluding the *titah*, His Majesty congratulated Republic of Korea (RoK)



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam attends the APEC Economic Leaders' Retreat (Session 2).

for its leadership of APEC in 2025, as well as Malaysia for its ASEAN Chairmanship. The Monarch also expressed confidence in the People's Republic of China's APEC Chairmanship for 2026.

At the end of the session, His Excellency Lee Jae Myung, President of RoK formally handed over the APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting (AELM) Chairmanship to His Excellency Xi Jinping, President of the People's Republic of China, who will host APEC in 2026.

Earlier, on 31st October, His Majesty attended the Gala Dinner in honour of APEC Economic Leaders at Lahan Select Gyeongju. The Monarch was warmly welcomed by the President of RoK and spouse, Madam Kim Hye-kyung. The evening was also enlivened with cultural performances.

Accompanying His Majesty in both events was His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen.

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His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam in a group photo at the APEC Economic Leaders' Retreat (Session 2).



His Majesty exchanging greetings during the meeting.



His Majesty receiving a warm welcome from His Excellency President of the Republic of Korea and spouse during the Gala Dinner in honour of APEC Economic Leaders. Accompanying His Majesty was His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen.



Among the cultural performances presented during the ceremony.



Enhancing bilateral relations, exploring new areas of cooperation

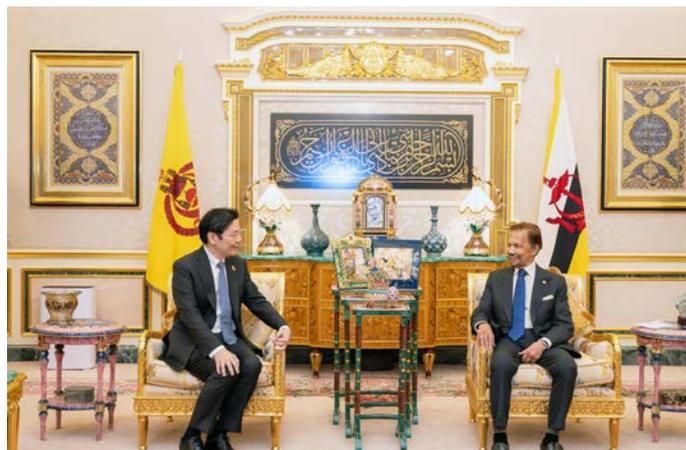
BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 3rd November - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, received in audience His Excellency Lawrence Wong, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance of the Republic of Singapore, who is in the country for the 11th Young Leaders' Programme (YLP) between Brunei Darussalam and Republic of Singapore from 3rd to 4th November.

The Audience Ceremony took place at Cheradi Ratna Kenchana, Istana Nurul Iman.

Also in attendance were His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, and other members of the royal family.

During the ceremony, His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and His Excellency Prime Minister of Singapore discussed matters of mutual interest aimed at further strengthening the existing bilateral relations, and welcomed the exploration of new areas of cooperation.

Both leaders reaffirmed their commitment to maintaining the long-standing relationship between the two countries, including through currency interchangeability, defence cooperation, and people-to-people exchanges.



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam receiving in audience His Excellency Prime Minister and Minister for Finance of the Republic of Singapore.

Following the Audience Ceremony, a Luncheon was hosted at Baiturrahmah of the palace, attended by members of the royal family. A *doa selamat* was recited by Yang Berhormat Pehin Datu Seri Maharaja Dato Paduka Seri Setia (Dr.) Ustaz Awang Haji Abdul Aziz bin Juned, the State Mufti.



His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam welcoming His Excellency Prime Minister and Minister for Finance (left); and attending the Luncheon (right).



Also present were His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, and other members of the royal family.

His Royal Highness promoted to Lieutenant Colonel

BOLKIAH GARRISON, 6th November - His Royal Highness 920 Major (U) Prince 'Abdul Mateen ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah has been promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, effective 8th August.

His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam conferred the rank insignia during a ceremony held at the Officers' Mess, Bolkiah Garrison.

Accompanying His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam was His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office. Also in attendance was Yang Amat Mulia Pengiran Anak Isteri Anisha Rosnah binti Adam.

After arriving at the Parade Square, Tower Block, Ministry of Defence, His Majesty received the Royal Salute and inspected the Guard of Honour, comprising personnel from the Royal Brunei Land Forces, before proceeding to the Officers' Mess for the conferment. His Majesty also conferred rank insignia to 18 Royal Brunei Armed Forces (RBAF) officers, who were promoted to Lieutenant Colonel/Commander, Royal Brunei Navy, effective 8th August.

The ceremony was blessed with a *doa selamat* recitation, led by Lieutenant Colonel Abdul Mujib bin Haji Japar, Acting Director of RBAF Religious Directorate (JAMA'AT).

Following the presentation of ranks, His Majesty and Their Royal Highnesses proceeded for light refreshments with the newly promoted senior RBAF officers and signed the Royal Parchment.



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam conferring the rank insignia to His Royal Highness 920 Major (U) Prince 'Abdul Mateen at the ceremony.



His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam receiving the Royal Salute and inspecting the Guard of Honour (right and below).



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His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam; His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office; and His Royal Highness 920 Major Lieutenant Colonel (U) Prince 'Abdul Mateen in a group photo.



His Majesty conferring rank insignia to other recipients.



His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and Their Royal Highness during the recitation of *doa selamat* (left); and Acting Director of the Royal Brunei Armed Forces Religious Directorate (JAMA'AT) reciting *doa selamat* (above).

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His Majesty signing the Royal Parchment.



His Majesty mingles with the officers and conveys congratulations during the ceremony.



His Majesty and members of the royal family during the light refreshment.



Also in attendance was Yang Amat Mulia Pengiran Anak Isteri Anisha Rosnah binti Adam.



His Majesty and members of the royal family in a group photo.

Opening of upgraded rice milling facility



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam graces the Opening Ceremony of Wasan Milling Company Sdn. Bhd.'s (WMC) Upgraded Paddy Milling Facility.

PENKALAN BATU, 12th November - His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam graced the Opening Ceremony of Wasan Milling Company Sdn. Bhd.'s (WMC) Upgraded Paddy Milling Facility located at the Wasan Agricultural Development Area.

Accompanying His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam were His Royal Highness Prince Haji

Al-Muhtadee Billah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office (PMO); His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik; and His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen.

To bless the ceremony, a *doa selamat* was recited by Yang Berhormat Pehin Dato Seri Maharaja Dato Paduka Seri Setia (Dr.) Ustaz Awang Haji Abdul Aziz bin Juned, the State Mufti.

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His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam delivering a *titah* (royal speech) to officiating the opening of the Upgraded Paddy Milling Facility.



His Majesty during the tour.



His Majesty and other members of the royal family at the main dining hall.



His Majesty signs a commemorative plaque.

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His Majesty then inaugurated the launch of WMC's new rice packaging, followed by a briefing from WMC on the company's background and the information board detailing the paddy drying process.

His Majesty and members of the royal family then toured the upgraded facilities, followed by a short video presentation on the milling process, and briefing on the

milling machineries, before proceeding to the rice packaging section.

The event also featured exhibitions by local companies showcasing the use of smart farming and artificial intelligence (AI) in Brunei Darussalam's agricultural sector. At the main dining hall, His Majesty signed a commemorative plaque and received a *pesambah* (souvenir) from Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Mohd. Amin Liew bin Abdullah,

Minister at the PMO and Second Minister of Finance and Economy as Chairman of Darussalam Assets Sdn. Bhd., on behalf of WMC.

With the upgraded facility, Brunei's rice milling capacity will increase from three metric tonnes per hour to 10 metric tonnes per hour, which is expected to contribute significantly to increasing the national rice self-sufficiency level from 8 per cent to 20 per cent by 2027.



Locally produced rice by Wasan Milling Company Sdn. Bhd.



His Majesty and His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office receive *junjung ziarah* from the staff of WMC.



His Majesty during a group photo session at the event.

State Visit to Hungary (continued)



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam attends the State Welcome Ceremony held at Kossuth Lajos Square.



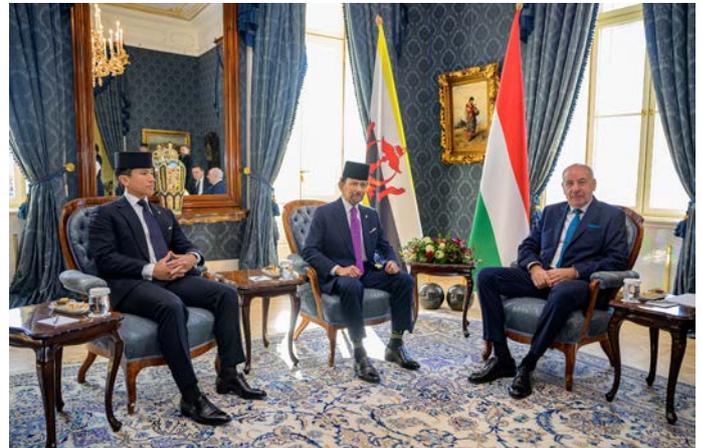
His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam attends the Wreath-Laying Ceremony held at Heroes' Square.

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During the visit, His Majesty attended a wreath-laying ceremony at Heroes' Square; received Hungary's highest state honour — The Grand Cross of The Hungarian Order of Merit with Chain and Gold Star; and held a Tête-À-Tête Meeting with the President of Hungary at Sándor Palace. His Majesty also held a bilateral meeting, highlighting longstanding friendly relations since 1992 and welcoming the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on Bilateral Consultations to strengthen cooperation in areas including investment, education, energy, tourism, and capacity building.

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His Majesty attends a bilateral meeting with the President of Hungary at the Sándor Palace (right).



His Majesty at the Tête-À-Tête Meeting (left); and bilateral meeting with His Excellency President of Hungary at Sándor Palace (right). Accompanying His Majesty was His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen.



Signing the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Government of Brunei Darussalam was Yang Berhormat Second Minister of Foreign Affairs, while the Government of Hungary was represents by His Excellency Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Also present was Yang Berhormat Minister at the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy.

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A working luncheon hosted by His Excellency Viktor Orbán, Prime Minister of Hungary saw discussions on regional and international issues, ASEAN–EU relations, climate change, and sustainable growth, with His Majesty extending invitations to both the President and Prime Minister of Hungary for visits to Brunei Darussalam. The State Visit continued with a Gala Dinner hosted by the President at the Museum of Fine Arts, featuring cultural performances celebrating Hungary’s artistic heritage.

His Majesty attends a Working Luncheon at Karmelita Monastery host by His Excellency Prime Minister of Hungary.



His Majesty at the Gala Dinner held in honour of the State Visit, hosts by His Excellency President of Hungary.

Expanding bilateral cooperation in culture, sports and skills exchange

BUDAPEST, HUNGARY, 19th November

– His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu’izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar ‘Ali Saifuddien Sa’adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, consented to visit Kincsem Park, accompanied by His Royal Highness Prince ‘Abdul Mateen.

Upon arrival, His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam was welcomed by His Excellency Dr. Tamás Sulyok, President of Hungary; His Excellency Kristóf Szalay-Bobrovniczky, Minister of Defence of Hungary; and Adam Szotyori Nagy, Chief Executive Officer of Kincsem Park.

During the visit, His Majesty viewed an equestrian demonstration highlighting Hungary’s traditional riding skills and received a briefing on the role of Kincsem Park as the country’s national horse racing centre and a key institution in preserving Hungary’s equestrian heritage.

The visit provided an opportunity to further



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu’izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar ‘Ali Saifuddien Sa’adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam at the Kincsem Park.

strengthen bilateral relations between Brunei Darussalam and Hungary, particularly in the areas of culture, sports and skills exchange.

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His Majesty later departed Budapest following the visit. Present at Liszt Ferenc International Airport to bid farewell were Dr. Timar Istvan Szilveszter, Director-General of the Sándor Palace, and Katinka Konya, Chief of Protocol of the Sándor Palace. Also in attendance were Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Mohd. Amin Liew bin Abdullah, Minister at the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy; Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Erywan bin Pehin Datu Pekerma Jaya Haji Mohd. Yusof, Second Minister of Foreign Affairs; and Jefferson Leong Weng Hong, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim at the Embassy of Brunei Darussalam in Brussels, non-resident to Hungary.



His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam on an official visit to Kincsem Park in Budapest, Hungary. Accompanying His Majesty was His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen.



His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam welcomed at Kincsem Park by His Excellency President of Hungary.



His Majesty departs Budapest, Hungary.

His Majesty officiate Primary Resources and Tourism Expo 2025

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 27th November – His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam officiated the Primary Resources and Tourism Expo 2025 at the International Convention Centre.

Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam were His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office; His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik; His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen; and His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah.

Metussin, Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism, His Majesty viewed a launch video and toured pavilions showcasing Brunei Darussalam's achievements in agriculture, agri-food, fisheries, forestry, and tourism, including local products, sustainable aquaculture, timber innovations, and tourism initiatives.

Accompanying His Majesty the Sultan and

Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Abdul Manaf bin Haji

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His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam officiates the Primary Resources and Tourism Expo 2025 (left); and receives *pesambah* (souvenir) (right).





His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam visits the pavilions and exhibitions at the Plenary Hall.



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The Expo, themed 'Innovative and Sustainable Primary Resources and Tourism', highlights entrepreneurship among MSMEs, youth, and retirees, supports national food security,

and strengthens the competitiveness of Brunei's key sectors. It provides a platform for knowledge sharing, business matching, and showcasing innovations aimed at promoting sustainable economic growth and international engagement.



His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Malik and His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen during the tour.



His Majesty receives a briefing.



His Majesty signs the commemorative plaque.



His Majesty during junjung ziarah.

Cooperation across multiple fields continues to be strengthened (continued)

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Upon arrival at Noi Bai International Airport, His Majesty was welcomed by His Excellency Le Khanh Hai, Chairman of the Office of the President and Minister-in-Attendance; Vu Dai Thang, Chairman of the Hanoi People's Committee; and His Excellency Nguyen Manh Cuong, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs. His Majesty then inspected the Static Guard of Honour.

during which both leaders commended the close bilateral ties and expanding cooperation in trade, food and agriculture, aquaculture, halal industries, and the oil and gas sector. His Majesty welcomed progress on agreements relating to extradition, transnational crime, and prisoner transfer, while noting the importance of education exchanges and training programmes in strengthening people-to-people links. His Majesty also extended an invitation for General Secretary of the Communist Party of Viet Nam to visit Brunei Darussalam.

During the visit, His Majesty held a meeting with His Excellency To Lam, General Secretary of the Communist Party of Viet Nam,

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His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam arrives in Ha Noi. Accompanying His Majesty was His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen.

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Brunei Darussalam and Viet Nam established diplomatic relations in 1992 and continue to strengthen cooperation through high-level visits, expanding trade, and collaboration across

multiple sectors. The last State Visit by His Majesty to Viet Nam was in March 2019, while the Vietnamese Prime Minister and spouse made an Official Visit to Brunei Darussalam in February 2023.



His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam during *junjung ziarah*.

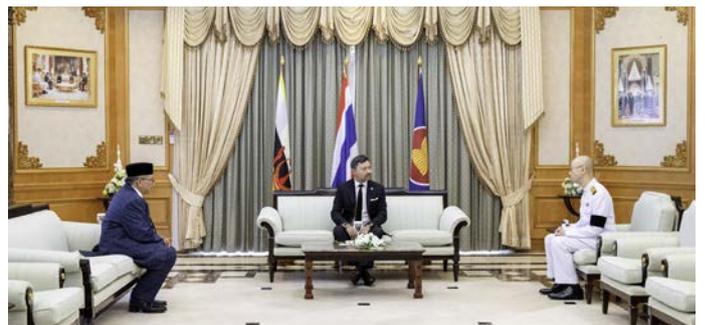


His Majesty with His Excellency General Secretary of the Communist Party of Viet Nam.

His Royal Highness signs Book of Condolences (continued)

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His Royal Highness the Crown Prince arrival was welcomed by Kittivudh Pinyowit, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim of the Royal Thai Embassy, along with senior officials of the embassy. Also present to sign the Book of Condolences was Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Erywan bin Pehin Datu Pekerma Jaya Haji Mohd. Yusof, Second Minister of Foreign Affairs.



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office at the Royal Thai Embassy.

HRH Crown Prince welcomes Prime Minister of Singapore

JERUDONG, 3rd November – His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office, received in audience His Excellency Lawrence Wong, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance of the Republic of Singapore, at Qashr Al-Meezan.



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His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office at the welcoming dinner.

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The Prime Minister and Minister for Finance of the Republic of Singapore was in the country for the 11th Young Leaders' Programme (YLP), an annual exchange initiative between Brunei Darussalam and the Republic of Singapore aimed at strengthening longstanding bilateral relations and providing a platform for emerging leaders to exchange views on bilateral, regional, and global developments.

Following the Audience Ceremony, His Royal Highness hosted a welcoming dinner in honour of His Excellency and his delegation.

Earlier in the day, the delegation paid a

courtesy visit to Jerudong Park Medical Centre (JPMC) and Gleneagles JPMC. The visit aimed to gain firsthand insights into Brunei Darussalam's healthcare system, including specialist medical services and cardiac care facilities.

During the visit, the delegation received briefings on local health institutions, including a presentation titled 'Pioneering Citizen-Centric Health Transformation in Brunei Darussalam'. The delegation subsequently toured JPMC's state-of-the-art facilities at the Brunei Neuroscience Stroke and Rehabilitation Centre and The Brunei Cancer Centre, before proceeding to Gleneagles JPMC to visit its Cardiovascular Laboratory.



His Excellency Prime Minister and Minister for Finance of the Republic of Singapore during his courtesy visit.

National Flag presented to 33rd SEA Games contingent

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 25th November – His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah and His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien attended the National Flag Presentation Ceremony for Brunei Darussalam's contingent to the 33rd Southeast Asian (SEA) Games 2025 in Kingdom of Thailand.

The ceremony, officiated by His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah as President of the Brunei Darussalam National Olympic Council (BDNOC), was held at the Digadong Hall, Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports.

The event included a recitation of Surah Al-Faatihah, speeches highlighting the athletes' dedication, and the official presentation

of the national flag to Chef de Mission Dayang Hajah Umi Kalthum binti Haji Abdul Karim. His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah expressed gratitude to the government and the Ministry for their support, congratulated the 65 selected athletes competing in nine sports, and emphasised discipline, anti-doping compliance, and safeguarding of athletes.

Brunei Darussalam will send 70 officials and 65 athletes to compete in Swimming, Karate, Netball, Pencak Silat, Polo, Sepak Takraw, Taekwondo, Weightlifting, and Wushu. His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen and Her Royal Highness Princess Azemah Ni'matul Bolkiah will also compete in Polo.

At the previous SEA Games in 2023, Brunei won two gold, one silver, and six bronze medals.



His Royal Highness Prince 'Abdul Mateen ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah, and His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien graces the National Flag Presentation Ceremony for the Brunei Darussalam contingent participating in the 33rd Southeast Asian (SEA) Games 2025 (above and below).



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah delivering a *sabda* (royal speech).



Uphold responsibility, trust, and discipline

BERAKAS, 3rd November - The nation's athletes and contingent officials are reminded to stay away from prohibited substances and to comply with the anti-doping acts and regulations enforced by the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA). Awang Haji Mohd. Zamri bin Dato Paduka Haji Hamdani, Deputy President of the Brunei Darussalam National Olympic Council (BDNOC), delivered the *sabda* (royal speech) on behalf of His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, President of BDNOC, during the Flag Handover Ceremony for the Brunei Darussalam National Contingent to the 6th Islamic Solidarity Games (ISG) 2025 in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The ceremony was held at the Simpung Hall, Hassanal Bolkiah National Stadium.

In the *sabda*, His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah also reminded the athletes and officials to uphold their responsibilities diligently and perfectly, while demonstrating a high level of discipline. His Royal Highness hoped that the athletes will take the opportunities of competing in the 6th ISG 2025 to raise the quality of competition and display high fighting spirits. The said opportunities should not be wasted, as they determine the athletes' future in facing high-level championships.

His Royal Highness further reminded the contingent's officers and coaches contingent to ensure and maintain the safety of the national athletes from disruptions and abuse. His Royal Highness further reminded all contingent officials and coaches to ensure the safety of the athletes from any form of mental and physical disturbances or abuse, in line with the objectives of Athlete Safeguarding, which BDNOC continues to prioritise. His Royal Highness also prayed for the continued health and well-being of the national contingent comprising athletes, coaches, and officials under the care and protection of Allah the Almighty.

Earlier in the *sabda*, His Royal Highness expressed appreciation to the Government of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, and to the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports for their support to BDNOC in sending a contingent to participate in three sporting events: Fencing (one male and one female athlete); Karate (one male and one female athlete); and Weightlifting (two male and one female athlete). The participation of female athletes in the games is in line with BDNOC's Women in Sport Strategic Plan to promote women's inclusive participation and provide opportunities for women empowerment, while also ensuring gender balance in sports.

His Royal Highness at the 6th ISG 2025

RIYADH, KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA, 22nd November - The 6th Islamic Solidarity Games (ISG) 2025 officially concluded with a closing ceremony held at the Princess Nourah bint Abdulrahman University Stadium, under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Abdulaziz bin Turki Al-Faisal, Minister of Sports of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and President of the Islamic Solidarity Sports Association (ISSA).

His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, President of the Brunei Darussalam National Olympic Council (BDNOC) attended the ceremony.

The event featured a flag parade, recitation of Quranic verses, an address by His Royal Highness Prince Abdulaziz, the national anthem, the parade of contingents, the lowering of the ISG flag, and the handing over of the flag to Malaysia as the upcoming host of the 7th ISG in 2029.

Earlier, on 11th November, His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah joined a Traditional Saudi Dinner in conjunction with the 6th ISG 2025, hosted by His Highness Prince Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Nasser Al Saud, President of the Saudi Table Tennis Federation held in Bujairi.

On 8th November, His Royal Highness witnessed the Opening Ceremony of the 6th ISG 2025, held at the Jenadriyah Camel Racing Track. The ceremony saw the presence of over 2,000 participants and guests.



His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien in a photo session at the closing ceremony of 6th Islamic Solidarity Games (ISG) 2025 (above); and attending the Traditional Saudi Dinner in conjunction with the 6th ISG 2025 (below).



The event was enlivened with various performances and segments, including a drone show, athlete parade, the national anthem of Saudi Arabia, the ISSA anthem, the official pledge, speeches, and a fireworks display.

The Brunei Darussalam contingent to the 6th ISG 2025 consists of 13 members, comprising seven athletes and six officials, including the Chef de Mission, Chief Secretariat officer, Secretariat officer, and coaches. This year marks Brunei's fifth participation in the ISG.

Held from 7th to 21st November, the 6th ISG 2025 brought together over 3,000 athletes from 57 countries, competing in 23 sports across five main venues around Riyadh.

His Royal Highness Prince Haji Sufri Bolkiah at Opening Ceremony of the 6th ISG 2025.



MKKJR commemorates road traffic accident victims

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 13th November – Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna binti Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar ‘Ali Saifuddien Sa’adul Khairi Waddien, Ambassador-at-Large at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Royal Patron of the National Road Safety Council (MKKJR) of Brunei Darussalam officiated the 2025 World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims at the Royal Berkshire Hall, Jerudong, highlighting the nation’s collective responsibility to improve road safety.

Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna commended government agencies, MKKJR, the private sector and NGOs for their ongoing efforts, noting Brunei Darussalam’s 50 per cent reduction in road fatalities from 2010–2020, while stressing the need for renewed action due to recent increases in accidents. Her Royal Highness launched the Road Safety Action 2030, which replaces the 2025 strategic plan and outlines key measures for 2026–2030, aligned with the UN’s Second Decade of Action for Road Safety. Her Royal Highness echoed His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam’s call for data-driven planning, stronger enforcement, and a minimum three-star safety rating for major roads.

The event included school performances, forums on data-driven strategies and heavy vehicle safety, and emphasised this year’s



Her Royal Highness Princess Hajah Masna binti Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar ‘Ali Saifuddien Sa’adul Khairi Waddien, Ambassador-at-Large at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs delivering *sabda* (royal speech).

theme, ‘Watch Your Speed, Watch the Road’. MKKJR urged the public to follow traffic laws, avoid reckless driving, and adopt responsible road behaviour to support the goal of zero fatalities.



Among the students who participated in the *Bicara Berirama* performance.



ASG14 opening ceremony

BERAKAS, 20th November – The 14th ASEAN Schools Games (ASG14) officially opened at the Indoor Stadium, Hassanal Bolkiah National Sports Complex, bringing together 981 student-athletes from 10 ASEAN countries competing in eight sports. The ceremony, held in conjunction with the games running until 28th November, was officiated by Yang Berhormat Datin Seri Setia Dr. Hajah Romaizah binti Haji Md. Salleh, Minister of Education.

The event featured a parade of contingents, including Yang Teramat Mulia Pengiran Anak Muneerah Madhul Bolkiah, daughter of His Royal Highness the Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister’s Office, followed by speeches from Brunei Darussalam and ASEAN Schools Sports Council (ASSC)



The atmosphere of the 14th ASEAN Schools Games (ASG14) Opening Ceremony at the Indoor Stadium, Hassanal Bolkiah National Sports Complex.

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representatives. The opening included the raising of the ASG flag and the recitation of the athletes' and officials' oaths.

This year's theme, 'Dream, Strive, Achieve', inspired by the Bruneian proverb *Bekarih, Bejarih, Belurih* highlights dedication, discipline, and determination in achieving goals.



Yang Teramat Mulia Pengiran Anak Muneerah Madhul Bolkiah binti His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah attends the Opening Ceremony of the 14th ASEAN Schools Games (above); and Yang Berhormat officiates the event (right).



Brunei–Singapore religious cooperation highlighted

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 25th November – Yang Berhormat Pehin Udana Khatib Dato Paduka Seri Setia Ustaz Awang Haji Badaruddin bin Pengarah Dato Paduka Awang Haji Othman, the Minister of Religious Affairs, and Yang Berhormat Pehin Datu Seri Maharaja Dato Paduka Seri Setia (Dr.) Ustaz Awang Haji Abdul Aziz bin Juned, the

State Mufti, received courtesy visit from Associate Professor Dr. Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, Acting Minister-in-Charge of Muslim Community Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs, Republic of Singapore, during his two-day official visit to Brunei Darussalam from 24th to 25th November.



Yang Berhormat Minister of Religious Affairs receives courtesy visit from the Associate Professor Dr. Muhammad Faishal Ibrahim, Acting Minister-in-Charge of Muslim Community Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs, Republic of Singapore.



The visit included courtesy meetings, discussions on bilateral cooperation in religious affairs, Islamic education, mosque management, and community initiatives, and a tour of the Balai Khazanah Islam Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah and visited Omar 'Ali Saifuddin Mosque, viewing its historical and cultural significance and exchanging insights on mosque and community programmes.

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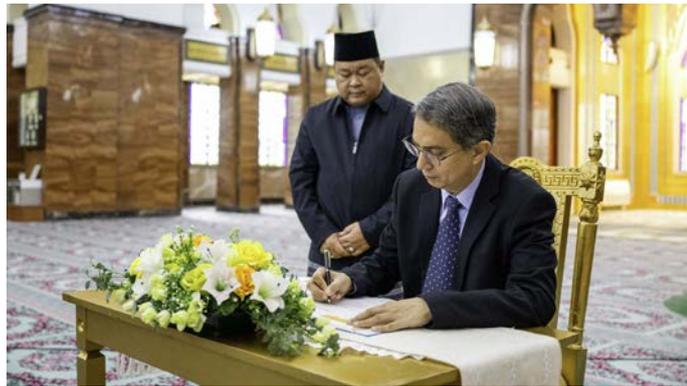
Yang Berhormat State Mufti receives a courtesy visit from the delegation of the Acting Minister-in-Charge of Muslim Community Affairs, and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs, Republic of Singapore.

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The visit concluded with a Dinner Reception hosted by the Minister of Religious Affairs, reflecting the strong ties between Brunei Darussalam and Singapore in advancing the development of the Muslim community.



Acting Minister-in-Charge of Muslim Community Affairs and Senior Minister of State, Ministry of Home Affairs, Republic of Singapore visits the gallery of Balai Khazanah Islam Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah; signs the visitor's book at the Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Mosque, followed by the presentation of a souvenir.



ADMM-Plus shows firm commitment to regional security, stability

KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA, 1st November - The 12th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting Plus (ADMM-Plus) was successfully held at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC).

The meeting was chaired by Yang Berhormat Dato' Seri Mohamed Khaled bin Nordin, Minister of Defence of Malaysia, and attended by defence ministers from the ADMM-Plus countries, including the ASEAN Secretary-General.

This year's meeting marked the 15th anniversary of the establishment of ADMM-Plus, and also celebrated the first participation of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste as a full member of ASEAN.

Brunei Darussalam delegation was led by Yang Berhormat Pehin Datu Lailaraja Major General (Rtd) Dato Paduka Seri Awang Haji Halbi bin Haji Mohd. Yusof, Minister at the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister of Defence.

Also part of the delegation were Brigadier General (Rtd) Dato Seri Pahlawan Haji Alirupendi bin Haji Perudin, Permanent Secretary at the Ministry of Defence (MinDef) as Brunei's ASEAN Defence Senior Officials' Meeting Plus (ADSOM-Plus) leader; Mohd. Aizul Hakim bin Pehin OKIP Dato Seri Setia Haji Suyoi, Acting High Commissioner of Brunei Darussalam to Malaysia; as well as other senior



Yang Berhormat Minister at the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister of Defence at the 12th ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting Plus (ADMM-Plus).

officials from the MinDef.

The 12th ADMM-Plus Meeting exchanged views on the 'Reflection on 15 Years of ADMM-Plus and Charting the Way Forward', and adopted the Joint Statement by the ASEAN Defence Ministers' Meeting Plus in Commemoration of the 15th Anniversary of the Founding of the ADMM-Plus.

An informal ASEAN-Japan Defence Ministers' Meeting was also held, co-chaired by Yang Berhormat Minister of Defence of Malaysia as ADMM-Plus Chair for this year; and His Excellency Shinjiro

Koizumi, Minister of Defence of Japan.

In addition, the ASEAN-United States (US) Defence Ministers' Tea Reception was jointly hosted by the Minister of Defence of Malaysia; and The Honourable Pete Hegseth, Secretary of War of the US. Brunei Darussalam also held a bilateral meeting with the Republic of Singapore.

A handing-over ceremony of the ADMM Chairmanship to the Republic of the Philippines, who will assume the role of ASEAN Chair in 2026, formally marked the conclusion of Malaysia's ADMM Chairmanship for 2025.

Strengthening cooperation, sharing expertise, deepening industry engagement

BANGKOK, KINGDOM OF THAILAND, 10th November - Yang Berhormat Pehin Datu Lailaraja Major General (Rtd) Dato Paduka Seri Awang Haji Halbi bin Haji Mohd. Yussof, Minister at the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) and Second Minister of Defence, attended the Defense and Security 2025 Exhibition, held from 10th to 13th November at the IMPACT Exhibition and Convention Centre.

The Ministry of Defence (MinDef) delegation to the exhibition comprised Brigadier General Aldi bin Haji Hassan, Commander of the Royal Brunei Land Forces, and officers from MinDef.

Under the theme 'The Power of Partnership', the event brings together global defence and security stakeholders, including ministers and deputy ministers of defence and military commanders, to strengthen cooperation, share expertise, and deepen industry engagement.

Supported by the Ministry of Defence of Thailand and the Royal Thai Armed Forces, the 2025 edition gathered 617 exhibiting companies, 25 national pavilions, and 289 key delegations and key decision-makers from 35 countries.



Yang Berhormat Minister at the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister of Defence attending the Defense and Security 2025 Exhibition, held at the IMPACT Exhibition and Convention Centre in Bangkok, Kingdom of Thailand.

The Minister at the PMO and Second Minister of Defence also held a bilateral meeting with His Excellency General Nattaphon Narkphanit, Minister of Defence of Thailand, where they discussed strategic and regional matters of mutual interest.

Both ministers highlighted the close defence relations between Brunei and Thailand, and reaffirmed their shared commitment to further strengthening defence cooperation.

Brunei hosts 13th East Asia Security Outlook Seminar

JERUDONG, 25th November – The Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Institute of Defence and Strategic Studies (SHHBIDSS), Ministry of Defence, held the 13th East Asia Security Outlook (EASO) Seminar at The Empire Brunei, themed 'Borneo as a Nexus: Key to Regional Advancement and Sustainability'.

The seminar, returning after its 2019 edition, focused on Borneo's strategic role amid evolving regional geopolitics, economic connectivity, migration, environmental issues, and cross-border security challenges. Yang Berhormat Pehin Datu Lailaraja Major General (Rtd) Dato Paduka Seri Awang Haji Halbi bin Haji Mohd. Yussof, Minister at the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister of Defence, was the Guest of Honour.

Professor Ooi Keat Gin of Universiti Brunei Darussalam delivered the keynote address, highlighting Borneo's historical marginalisation and resurgence as a regional nexus, while proposing strategies to leverage its resources and human capital for sustainable development.

Nine other speakers from leading regional and international institutions, shared insights on strategic cooperation and regional



Professor Ooi Keat Gin from Universiti Brunei Darussalam, delivers his keynote address.

security.

The seminar, attended by over 200 participants including senior defence officials and foreign defence representatives, is part of SHHBIDSS's flagship programme fostering dialogue on East Asian strategic and security issues.



Yang Berhormat Minister at the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) and Second Minister of Defence attends as the Guest of Honour at the event.

AI technology enhances diabetic eye disease screening

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 7th November - The overall prevalence of diabetic retinopathy in Brunei Darussalam is currently estimated at 22.6 per cent, compared to the global rate of 27 per cent, with 9.7 per cent diagnosed with vision-threatening diabetic retinopathy.

In 2014, 7,700 patients were screened at Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Saleha (RIPAS) Hospital and other clinics. By 2017, this number had increased to 11,000, reflecting a 40 per cent rise in access within just three years.

On this basis, the Ministry of Health has integrated artificial intelligence (AI)-based screening tools into its services, including non-ophthalmology clinics to ensure that patients do not miss screenings during their routine check-ups.

Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Mohammad Isham bin Haji Jaafar, Minister of Health stated the matter his opening remarks at the 7th ASEAN Ophthalmology Congress (AOS 2025) held at the An-Naura Hall, Yayasan Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Complex.

Since October 2024, over 19,800 individuals have been screened using AI technology, with a sensitivity of over 80 per cent in detecting vision-threatening diabetic retinopathy. Notably, about 17 per cent of those screened were in the early stage of the disease, and about 5 to 6 per cent required active treatment – patients who might not have been previously identified.

“AI has improved screening efficiency, shortened waiting times, and accelerated referral processes, allowing ophthalmologists to focus on sight-saving



Yang Berhormat Minister of Health during the Opening Ceremony of the 7th ASEAN Ophthalmology Congress (AOS 2025) (above and below).

interventions. This innovation not only improves access to healthcare services, but also speeds up diagnosis and helps prevent avoidable blindness nationwide,” said the Minister of Health.

The Minister also underscored the importance of cooperation, capacity building, and equitable access to healthcare in the ASEAN region.

“To move forward, we must strengthen regional and global collaboration, invest in human resource development, nurture a new generation of ophthalmologists, and embrace digital health innovation to ensure everyone can access vision-saving treatments.”

In line with the Brunei Vision 2035, the Minister emphasised that the goal is to build a prosperous, inclusive, and resilient nation.

Held under the theme ‘Vision Beyond Borders: Connecting Regional Expertise, Elevating Eye Care for All’ the AOS 2025 served as a platform to promote the development of vision science, research, and clinical practice among ASEAN Member States.

The opening ceremony began with welcoming remarks by Dr. Hajah Helena binti Pehin Orang Kaya Setia Jaya Dato Paduka Haji Hurairah, Chairperson and President of the 7th ASEAN Ophthalmology Congress.

The Minister then officiated the event, which was followed by an official launch video to mark the Brunei’s historic hosting of AOS 2025.

A keynote address titled ‘Corneal Blindness in ASEAN: Ongoing Challenge’ was delivered by Professor Ruben Lim Bon Siong, Chair of Ophthalmology at the College of Medicine, University of the Philippines in Manila, and Head of the Cornea Section at the Philippine General Hospital.

The 38th Singapore-Malaysia Joint Ophthalmology Meeting; the 11th Indochina Ocular Inflammation Study Group Meeting; and the 1st Brunei Darussalam Allied Ophthalmic Professionals Seminar were also held in conjunction with the congress.

Scientific discussions throughout the congress covered a range of topics, including cataract and refractive surgery; retinal and corneal diseases; ocular inflammation; AI diagnostics; diabetic retinopathy screening; trauma management; and community eye care.



Brunei-Australia deepen agribusiness, food security partnerships

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 14th November – Australia and Brunei Darussalam concluded the 2025 Australian Strategic Agribusiness Partnership Mission with a forum and Business Partnership Event, aimed at strengthening bilateral cooperation in trade, investment, and food security.

Officiated by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Mohd. Amin Liew bin Abdullah, Minister at the Prime Minister’s Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy, the event highlighted Australia’s commitment to its Southeast Asia Economic Strategy to 2040 and Brunei’s support for deeper collaboration in innovation and connectivity. Austrade reaffirmed Australia’s role as a longstanding agri-food supplier to Brunei, while Brunei Economic Development Board (BEDB) underscored

Brunei’s strategic position for regional agrifood innovation and value-chain partnerships.

On 13th November, Austrade and BEDB hosted a B2B Agrifood Networking Forum involving 10 Australian companies and 20 Bruneian industry players. The forum explored partnerships in aquaculture, high-value crops, agritech, and resilient food systems, reinforcing strong bilateral trade ties and opportunities for sustainable economic growth. DARE/BEDB highlighted the complementary strengths of both countries, particularly in agricultural technology and the *halal* industry.

Earlier in the week, 10 Australian agribusiness companies arrived in Brunei for the mission, participating in a High-Level Roundtable



Yang Berhormat Minister at the Prime Minister’s Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy at the event.



Among those speaker at the event.



Group photo session.

with key agencies including Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism, Ministry of Finance and Economy, Brunei Darussalam Food Authority, and BEDB. Discussions focused on aquaculture development, high-value crops, research and development commercialisation, and food security. Officials from both sides reaffirmed the longstanding cooperation between Australia and Brunei and expressed confidence that continued collaboration will boost agriculture, fisheries, food processing, and future investment.



Among those in attendance at the Agrifood B2B Networking Forum organised by the Australian Trade and Investment Commission (Austrade) in collaboration with the Brunei Economic Development Board (BEDB).

Commitment to sustainable and resilient trade

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, 21st November – Brunei Darussalam participated in the 9th Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) Commission Meeting, attended by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Mohd. Amin Liew bin Abdullah, Minister at the Prime Minister’s Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy.

The meeting, chaired by Senator The Honourable Don Farrell, Australia’s Minister for Trade and Tourism, included CPTPP members and representatives from 13 countries. Brunei Darussalam and fellow CPTPP parties welcomed the inaugural Trade and Investment Dialogue with ASEAN and the EU, highlighting commitment to fair, open, and sustainable trade.

The meeting discussed Costa Rica’s accession and identified Republic of Indonesia, Republic of the Philippines, the United Arab Emirates, and Uruguay as aspirant countries, initiating the accession process with Uruguay. Updates to several chapters—including E-Commerce, Trade in Services, Customs, Competitiveness, and Women’s Economic Empowerment—will begin in early 2026. Additional initiatives will address Investment, Economic Coercion, and Market-Distorting Practices.

Brunei’s delegation included officials from the Ministry of Finance and Economy. The meeting concluded with a Joint Ministerial Statement accessible via the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Yang Berhormat Minister at the Prime Minister’s Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy attends the 9th Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) commission meeting.



Brunei, Saudi Arabia strengthen economic cooperation

JERUDONG, 27th November – Brunei Darussalam and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia reaffirmed their commitment to enhancing bilateral economic ties during the 2nd Joint Committee Meeting held recently.

Co-chaired by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Mohd. Amin Liew bin Abdullah, Minister at the Prime Minister’s Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy, and His Excellency Dr. Nasser Aldossary, the Deputy Minister for International Relations and Cooperation, Ministry of Energy, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the meeting reviewed progress in economic relations and agreed on 25 initiatives across trade, investment, transportation, Hajj and Umrah, sports, heritage, education, human capital development, and media.

The Joint Committee, supported by senior officials and permanent secretaries from both countries, builds on shared long-term visions under Brunei Vision 2035 and Saudi Vision 2030. A preceding Joint Technical Session enabled senior officials to exchange views and identify further cooperation opportunities.



Yang Berhormat Minister at the Prime Minister’s Office and Second Minister of Finance and Economy, together with the Deputy Minister for International Relations and Cooperation, Ministry of Energy, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia jointly chair the 2nd Joint Committee Meeting.



Advancing shared aspirations for a stronger, united ASEAN

BERAKAS, 11th November - On behalf of Brunei Darussalam, Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Erywan bin Pehin Datu Pekerma Jaya Haji Mohd. Yusof, the Second Minister of Foreign Affairs, conveyed a congratulatory message to the government and people of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste on their formal accession to ASEAN.

This achievement marks the realisation of ASEAN's long-held aspiration for a united and inclusive Southeast Asian family, a vision frequently emphasised by His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, who has frequently emphasised that ASEAN's greatest strength lies in unity, inclusivity, and cooperation.

The Second Minister of Foreign Affairs delivered his remarks as the Guest of Honour at a Reception to commemorate Timor-Leste's admission as the 11th ASEAN Member States, held recently at the Musyawarah Hall of the International Convention Centre.

As the newest member of the regional family, the Minister noted that Timor-Leste



Yang Berhormat Second Minister of Foreign Affairs at the Reception to commemorate Timor-Leste's admission as the 11th ASEAN Member States.

brings new energy and perspectives to the collective efforts for peace, stability, and prosperity in the region. In this spirit, the Minister added that Brunei looks forward to working closely with Timor-Leste and other ASEAN Member States to advance shared aspirations for a stronger and more united ASEAN, guided by common values of cooperation, mutual respect, and solidarity.

The event featured a cake-cutting ceremony and a group photo session. Also present were His Excellency Abel Guterres, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Timor-Leste to Brunei Darussalam; and His Excellency Datuk Mohd. Aini Atan, the High Commissioner of Malaysia to Brunei Darussalam.

Strengthening Brunei's ecotourism landscape

BERAKAS, 6th November - The Project to Develop, Operate and Maintain Infrastructure at Berakas Forest Recreation Park represents a significant milestone in strengthening Brunei Darussalam's ecotourism landscape and diversifying its tourism products, in line with the nation's vision for sustainable economic growth.

The project aims to deliver an adventure and nature-based tourism experience that balances progress with conservation, ensuring that development goes hand in hand with environmental protection for future generations. It also aligns with national priorities under the Brunei Darussalam Forestry Policy, the Brunei Darussalam Tourism Industry Roadmap, and the Brunei Vision 2035.

The matter was stated by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Abdul Manaf bin Haji Metussin, Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism as the Guest of Honour at the signing ceremony between the Department of Forestry, Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism, and Borneo Eco-Resort Sdn. Bhd., held at the Berakas Forest Recreation Park.

The Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism noted that as the first project of its kind involving an international-standard resort, the initiative is expected to enhance visitor experiences, attract more local and international tourists, create new employment and business opportunities, and promote conservation-based tourism that preserves Brunei's natural heritage.

As a pioneering initiative, the project is hoped to inspire other stakeholders to pursue tourism development to international standards. The Minister further expressed confidence that it will serve as a catalyst for more private-driven investments in the near future.

The Minister also witnessed the signing of the agreement between Awang Reni bin Haji Yahya, Acting Director of Forestry; and Dato Ting Jack Chai, General Manager of Borneo Eco-Resort Sdn. Bhd. during the event. As part of the project implementation, Borneo Eco-Resort Sdn. Bhd. also signed a memorandum of understanding with its strategic partners to support the management, development and promotion of the Berakas Forest Recreation Park.



Yang Berhormat Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism witnessing the signing agreement (left); and delivering his remarks at the event (right).

Advancing innovation, sustainability in tourism

RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA, 12th November – Brunei Darussalam participated in the 26th Session of the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) General Assembly held under the theme 'AI-Powered Tourism: Redefining the Future'. The event, marking UNWTO's 50th anniversary, brought together over 1,400 delegates from 148 countries.

Brunei Darussalam's delegation was led by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Abdul Manaf bin Haji Metussin, accompanied by senior officials from the Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism.

The assembly reported that global tourism rebounded strongly, with 1.5 billion arrivals in 2024 and projected growth of 3 to 5 per cent this year. Members also endorsed the UNWTO Work Programme 2026–2027, focusing on sustainability, innovation, and digital transformation, and welcomed Shaikha Al Nowais as the next Secretary-General.



Yang Berhormat Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism lead the Brunei Darussalam delegation at the 26th Session of the United Nations World Tourism Organization (UNWTO) General Assembly held in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

A key topic was the growing role of Artificial Intelligence in tourism, with member states reaffirming their commitment through the Riyadh Declaration on the Future of Tourism.

Brunei will lead a regional initiative by hosting the UNWTO Regional Workshop on Measuring Tourism Sustainability for Asia and the Pacific in November. The workshop supports Brunei's push for data-driven and sustainable tourism development, aligned with the National Tourism Industry Roadmap 2024–2035 and Brunei Vision 2035.

Overall, Brunei's participation demonstrates its commitment to innovation, sustainability, and economic diversification through tourism.

Yang Berhormat Minister at the 26th Session of the UNWTO General Assembly.



Brunei - Oman strengthen cooperation for mutual benefit

JERUDONG, 24th November – Brunei Darussalam and the Sultanate of Oman celebrated over 40 years of strong bilateral friendship at Oman's National Day reception held at the Royal Berkshire, Royal Brunei Polo & Riding Club. The event was attended by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr. Awang Haji Abdul Manaf bin Haji Metussin, Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism, and spouse.

The programme featured the national anthems of both countries, a Al-Quran recitation, and a welcome address by Her Excellency Erma Said Mohamed Al Kathiry, Ambassador of the Sultanate of Oman to Brunei Darussalam who emphasised Oman's commitment to justice, dialogue, international law, and support for a two-state solution for Palestine. The Minister of Primary



Yang Berhormat Minister of Primary Resources and Tourism during the cake-cutting ceremony.

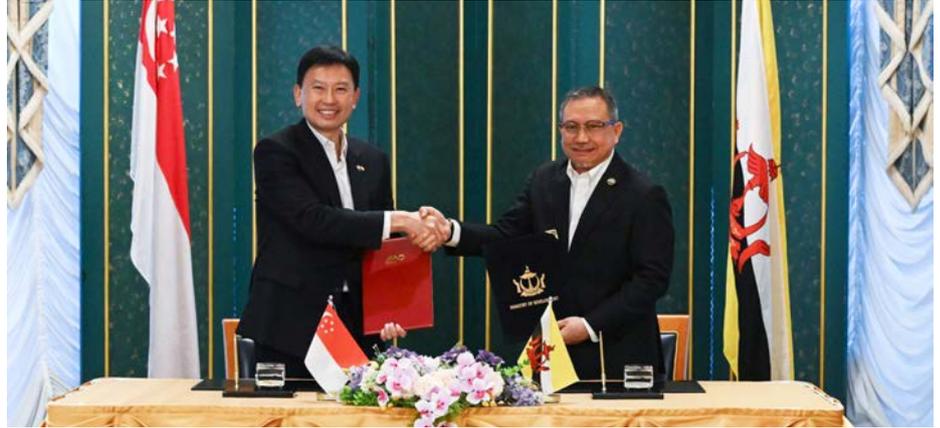
Resources and Tourism also viewed a documentary on Oman, participated in a ceremonial cake-cutting, received souvenirs, and concluded the event with a group photograph.

The occasion underscored the ongoing commitment of both nations to strengthen cooperation, understanding, and friendship for the benefit of their peoples.

MoU strengthens cooperation and knowledge sharing in construction

JERUDONG, 3rd November - A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Signing Ceremony between the Government of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam and the Government of the Republic of Singapore on 'Bilateral Cooperation in Sustainable and Liveable Built Environment' took place today in Jerudong.

The MoU was signed by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Muhammad Juanda bin Haji Abdul Rashid, Minister of Development; and His Excellency Chee Hong Tat, Minister for National Development of Singapore on behalf of their respective parties. The ceremony concluded with the official exchange of the signed documents.



Yang Berhormat Minister of Development and His Excellency Minister for National Development of Singapore the People's Republic of Singapore during the signing.

Present at the event were Dr. Nor (MoD); deputy permanent secretaries at Imtihan binti Haji Abd. Razak, Permanent MoD; as well as senior officials, officers and staff members of both parties

Minister highlights importance of STEAM education, future-ready skills

SAMARKAND, REPUBLIC OF UZBEKISTAN, 2nd November - Yang Berhormat Datin Seri Setia Dr. Hajah Romaizah binti Haji Md. Salleh, Minister of Education as Chairperson of the National Commission of Brunei Darussalam for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) attended the 43rd Session of the UNESCO General Conference held at the Silk Road Samarkand Congress Center from 30th October to 13th November.

The conference gathered representatives from 194 member states, associate members, observers, intergovernmental organisations, and non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

Among the main highlights of the session was the General Policy Debate, during which heads of delegation from each member state delivered national statements reaffirming their commitment

to the United Nations (UN) 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

In Brunei Darussalam's national statement, the Minister of Education reaffirmed Brunei's commitment to advancing Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG 4), with particular emphasis on the importance of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) education and future-ready competencies.

The Minister highlighted the launch of the Green Education Plan during the 53rd SEAMEO Council Conference, hosted by Brunei in July, demonstrating the nation's regional leadership in shaping the global education agenda beyond 2030.

In conjunction with the conference, a High-Level Ministerial Segment on Education was also held as a side event.



Yang Berhormat Minister of Education as Chairperson of the National Commission of Brunei Darussalam for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) attending the 43rd Session of the UNESCO General Conference.



Advancing regional connectivity cooperation safely and sustainably

NAY PYI TAW, REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR, 22nd November – Brunei Darussalam participated in the 31st ASEAN Transport Ministers Meeting (ATM-31) and related meetings on 20th November. The annual gathering provides a platform for ASEAN Member States to advance cooperation on safe, efficient, and sustainable regional transport.

Representing Brunei Darussalam was Yang Berhormat Pengiran Dato Seri Setia Shamhary bin Pengiran Dato Paduka Haji Mustapha, Minister of Transport and Info-communications, who also attended a courtesy call on the Prime Minister of Myanmar and the ASEAN Secretary-General.

ATM-31, chaired by Myanmar's Union Minister for Transport and Communications, endorsed key initiatives including: ASEAN Transport Sectoral Plan (ATSP) 2026–2030; ASEAN Electric Vehicle Implementation Plan; Sustainable ship waste management strategies; Public transport digitisation and last-mile delivery plans; Rail interoperability enhancements.

Engagements with ASEAN Dialogue



The Minister of Transport and Infocommunications represents Brunei Darussalam at the 31st ASEAN Transport Ministers' Meeting (ATM) and its related meetings.

Partners - People's Republic of China, Japan, and the Republic of Korea-strengthened regional cooperation on green shipping, transport safety, environmental improvements, and strategic transport partnerships.

Preceding ATM-31, the 60th Senior Transport Officials Meeting (STOM) reviewed progress under the Kuala

Lumpur Transport Strategic Plan 2016-2025 and discussed trends in trade, climate, and digitalisation affecting the transport sector.

Brunei's active participation highlights its leadership in expanding air connectivity, enhancing road safety, coordinating land transport, and promoting sustainable and smart transport corridors across ASEAN.

Brunei Darussalam launches BIMP-EAGA Youth Bus Programme

BERAKAS, 23rd November – Brunei Darussalam officially launched the BIMP-EAGA Youth Bus Programme 2025, bringing together youth from Brunei Darussalam, the Republic of Indonesia, Malaysia, and the Republic of the Philippines for an educational journey across the region. Officiated by Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Nazmi Mohamad, Minister of Culture, Youth and Sports, the programme aims to empower young people as future leaders, fostering leadership, creativity, resilience, and regional cooperation.

The initiative includes community visits, cultural exchanges, institutional briefings, and interactions with local entrepreneurs across sectors such as digital innovation, eco-tourism, agriculture, and creative industries. The programme seeks to strengthen people-to-people connections, cross-cultural understanding, and regional identity, while enhancing awareness of shared development priorities and economic linkages.

Yang Berhormat Minister of Culture, Youth and Sports attends as the Guest of Honour and officiates the launch of the BIMP-EAGA Youth Bus Programme 2025 (right and below).



ASEAN Treaty: A manifestation of trust and unity

MANILA, REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, 15th November – Yang Berhormat Datin Seri Paduka Dayang Hajah Nor Hashimah binti Haji Muhammed Taib, Attorney General led the national delegation to the 13th ASEAN Law Ministers Meeting (ALAWMM) from 14th to 15th November. The meeting, officiated

by His Excellency Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr., President of Republic of the Philippines highlighted the historic signing of the ASEAN Treaty on Extradition and called for stronger regional cooperation on cybercrime and AI-related legal issues. ALAWMM reviewed progress in legal

cooperation, including arbitration and mediation initiatives, and reaffirmed ASEAN’s commitment to strengthening its legal framework under ASEAN Community Vision 2045. The Attorney General also attended the inaugural ASEAN–Japan Ministers of Law Meeting, which advanced cooperation in law and justice.



Yang Berhormat Attorney General lead the Brunei Darussalam delegation at the 13th ASEAN Law Ministers’ Meeting and related meetings.

On the sidelines of ALAWMM, Brunei Darussalam signed the ASEAN Treaty on Extradition with all ASEAN Member States on 14th November, marking a major step in enhancing regional legal cooperation and combating cross-border crime. The treaty strengthens procedural transparency and establishes a more robust regional extradition framework.



Yang Berhormat Attorney General signs the ASEAN Treaty on Extradition on behalf of the Government of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam.



Yang Berhormat Attorney General in a group photo session.

Brunei participates in ASEAN judicial dialogue on regional legal challenges

REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE, 19th November – Yang Amat Arif Dato Seri Paduka Steven Chong Wan Oon, Chief Justice of the High Court of Brunei Darussalam, led a delegation of judges to the 12th Council of ASEAN Chief Justices (CACJ) Meeting from 13th to 15th November, hosted by Singapore Chief Justice Sundaresh Menon. The event brought together Chief Justices and heads of delegation from ASEAN Member States.



Yang Amat Arif Chief Justice of the High Court attended the 12th Council of ASEAN Chief Justices (CACJ) Meeting.

During the meeting, Brunei Darussalam delegation attended seminars on insolvency, transnational legal practice, intellectual property, and judicial collaboration. In his opening remarks, the Chief Justice reaffirmed Brunei's commitment to regional judicial cooperation, highlighting the importance of adapting judicial systems to address

challenges such as cybercrime, human trafficking, online fraud, and climate change, while upholding the rule of law.

The meeting reviewed reports and plans from nine CACJ working and study groups

covering areas such as court technology, judicial training, cross-border disputes, virtual hearings, and climate justice. The 12th CACJ Meeting concluded with the signing of the Singapore Declaration by the Chief Justice and heads of delegation.

Festival showcases traditional and contemporary Japanese Culture

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 15th November – The Japanese Culture & Film Festival 2025 held at Times Square Shopping Centre, co-hosted by the Embassy of Japan in Brunei Darussalam and the mall. The ceremony was officiated by Dr. Siti Norkhalbi binti Haji Wahsalfelah, the Deputy Permanent Secretary (Culture), Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports, with His Excellency Kikuta Yutaka, the Ambassador of Japan to Brunei Darussalam, also in attendance.

The festival brings the community together to appreciate Japanese culture through dance performances, arts, films, and culinary activities for all ages, while also promoting cultural exchange and strengthening ties between nations.

The event showcases both traditional and modern Japanese culture and provides information on study opportunities, scholarships, and youth exchange programmes in Japan.



The Deputy Permanent Secretary (Culture) of the Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports at the opening ceremony of the Japanese Culture & Film Festival 2025. Also present was His Excellency Ambassador of Japan to Brunei Darussalam.

Explore cooperation in technology, culture and sustainable development

BEIJING, PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, 28th November – A delegation from Brunei Darussalam's Legislative Council, led by Yang Berhormat Pehin Orang Kaya Laila Setia Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Abdul Rahman bin Haji Ibrahim, conducted an official working visit to the People's Republic of China from 24th to 28th November.

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The Members of the Legislative Council, during an official working visit to the People's Republic of China from 24th to 28th November.

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The visit, held at the invitation of the Chinese Government, aimed to enhance bilateral relations and promote the 'China-Brunei Community with a Shared Future' through inter-parliamentary diplomacy. The delegation met with representatives from the National People's Congress of China and the Tianjin Municipal People's Congress to explore cooperation in technology, culture, and sustainable development.

Delegates also toured key sites, including the Xiaomi

manufacturing plant, Longyuan Power Bohai Chemical PV Power Station, Tianjin Port Smart Zero-Carbon Terminal, China-Singapore Tianjin Eco-City, and the iFLYTEK Smart Valley AI Industrial Demonstration Base, highlighting China's innovations in technology, renewable energy, smart infrastructure, and AI.

The visit strengthened legislative-level ties and advanced collaboration in socio-economic development, youth engagement, and intercultural diplomacy between the two nations.



The Members of the Legislative Council, during an official working visit to the People's Republic of China from 24th to 28th November.

Strengthening efforts in tackling corruption challenges

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 10th November - The 16th Bilateral Cooperation Meeting between the Brunei Darussalam Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC) was held today at the An-Naura Hall, Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Foundation Complex.

The meeting was co-chaired by Datin Paduka Hajah Anifa Rafiza binti Haji Abdul Ghani, Director of the ACB; and Yang Berbahagia Tan Sri Dato' Sri Haji Azam bin Baki, Chief Commissioner of the MACC.

Also present were Dato' Sri Ahmad Khusairi Yahaya, Deputy Chief Commissioner (Operations) of MACC, Dato' Sri Ahmad Khusairi Yahaya; State Directors of the MACC from Sarawak, Sabah, and the Federal Territory of Labuan; as well as senior officers from both agencies.

The discussions focused on key aspects of corruption investigation and prevention. The ACB shared successes in several cases of misconduct in the public service under the Prevention of Corruption Act, Chapter 131; and outlined preventive initiatives through collaboration to raise public awareness, notably, with the School of Computing and Informatics, Universiti Teknologi Brunei (UTB), which won the Bronze Award at the prestigious Coding4Integrity: Asian Youth Anti-Corruption Hackathon in Hong Kong, the People's Republic of China.

Meanwhile, the MACC shared experiences and approaches in its preventive, investigative and organisational integrity programmes.

The meeting also addressed officer training and capacity development to enhance knowledge, skills, and competencies in fulfilling anti-corruption duties.



A group photo session at the 16th Bilateral Cooperation Meeting between the Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB) and the Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission (MACC).