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THAI PM TO VISIT MALAYSIA NEXT WEEK

KUALA LUMPUR, May 26 (Bernama) -- Thai Prime Minister Banharn Silpa-Archa will make a two-day official visit to Malaysia on Wednesday to strengthen bilateral ties and promote economic cooperation.

Banharn will be accompanied by his wife, Jamsai, and a 60-member delegation including Deputy Prime Minister Amnuay Veerawan, Foreign Minister Kasem S.Kasemsri, Labour and Social Welfare Minister Prasong Boonpong, senior government officials and businessmen.

A Wisma Putra statement said he is scheduled to call on the Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Ja'afar and will hold talks with Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on bilateral, regional and international issues of common interest.

The Thai Prime Minister will also visit the office of the Malaysia-Thailand Joint Authority (MTJA) here.

Banharn and Dr Mahathir will witness the signing of two memoranda of understanding on the sale and purchase of natural gas from the Malaysia-Thailand Joint Development Area between MTJA, its production sharing contractors and the joint buyers of the gas.-- BERNAMA

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