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Elephant steals the show during VIP's Taman Negara visit

JUMBO WELCOME... Of all the guests present to greet Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and his wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali during their visit to Taman Negara on Monday, Saleh had their undivided attention.

The 12-year-old elephant from the Pahang Wildlife Department seemed to not want to be left out, and is seen here holding out his trunk to "shake hands" with Dr Mahathir.

Wearing a big welcoming banner on his back, Saleh had earlier, used his trunk to hand over a shovel to Dr Mahathir who planted a tree commemorating his first visit to the park in 11 years.

It only took seconds for both parties to overcome their momentary reservations before getting acquainted.

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