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JAPAN'S MITI HEAD YOSANO TO VISIT THREE ASEAN NATIONS

TOKYO, Sept 18 (Bernama-Kyodo) -- International trade and industry minister Kaoru Yosano will visit Malaysia, Indonesia, and Singapore for four days from Sunday, his ministry announced today.

Yosano will be the first Japanese minister to visit members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (Asean) after the July 30 inauguration of prime minister Keizo Obuchi's cabinet.

The trade minister will meet with local leaders, including Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Indonesian President B.J. Habibie, to exchange views on Japan's economic stimulus measures and steps to revive the Asian economy, ministry officials said.

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