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Abdurrahman-Talks

GUS DUR COMING FOR LANGKAWI TALKS ON TUESDAY

KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 11 (Bernama) -- President Abdurrahman Wahid of Indonesia will make a two-day working visit to Langkawi from Oct 17 for bilateral talks to enhance ties between his country and Malaysia.

Acting Foreign Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak said Abdurrahman is scheduled to meet Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and both leaders will later lead each other's delegation to the talks.

"Both leaders are expected to exchange views on regional and international issues of mutual concern," Najib said in a statement issued by Wisma Putra here today.

They are expected to discuss intake of Indonesian workers, illegal immigrants and trade, among others.

Both sides are also expected to discuss the third Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM III) scheduled to be held in South Korea (Oct 16-23), the 4th Asean informal summit in Singapore (Nov 24-25 Nov), the Apec meeting in Brunei (Nov 10-16) and the meeting of the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) in Qatar (Nov 7-14).

Abdurrahman will be accompanied by wife Sinta Nuriyah and a 50-member delegation of senior officials as well as 15 members of the Indonesian mass-media.

His visit was in line with the agreement reached between Indonesia and Malaysia for their leaders to meet every six months to strengthen ties.

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