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King's visit turns exhibition into Royal event

LANGKAWI, Thurs. - The presence of Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin turned the Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace exhibition into a royal event today.

The King visited numerous exhibition booths, which included MMC Group and EADS, and was briefed on the latest technology in military armaments.

Meanwhile, the day-long downpour failed to dampen the spirits of exhibitors with many deals secured.

While the aerobatic display was called off due to poor visibility, pilots were eager to prove their mettle in the days ahead.

Tomorrow night will see music and lights turning Kuah into a fairyland.

Described as a tribute to Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, visitors to the scenic Dataran Helang are in for a treat.

The tribute is in recognition of Dr Mahathir's effort in turning the island into a household name in the aviation and maritime industry.

Singer Siti Nurhaliza, rock queen Ella and the husband and wife duet Nurul and Ajai will entertain the crowd at the event.

About 15,000 people are expected to attend the gathering.