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Kolej Yayasan Saad Orchestra to perform in Bangkok

MALACCA, Thurs. - The Kolej Yayasan Saad Orchestra will perform at the Thailand Cultural Centre in Bangkok on Feb 20.

The orchestra was invited to perform there by the Malaysian embassy in Thailand and the Vajiravudh College in Bangkok. This is the first time that the orchestra, comprising 91 students and eight music teachers, is performing outside Malaysia.

The college's head of music department-cum-music director, Judy Leong Yin Mei, said members of the orchestra would perform 19 songs, including four in Thai.

She said among guests expected to attend the performance were Thailand's Deputy Prime Minister, Foreign Minister and Education Minister.

Leong added that the orchestra had also been invited to perform at the Istana Budaya during the Non-Aligned Movement delegates conference on Feb 25 in Kuala Lumpur.

The orchestra was founded in 1998 and its first performance was attended by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's wife, Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali.