

CGM HEARTBEAT



Consulate General of Malaysia
Songkhla, Thailand



**60th ANNIVERSARY OF
MALAYSIA - THAILAND
DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS**
1957-2017

Fast Fact: Thailand is subdivided into 76 provinces. The CGM in Songkhla covers the 14 southern provinces namely, Narathiwat, Yala, Pattani, Songkhla, Satun, Phattalung, Trang, Nakhon Si Thammarat, Krabi, Phang Nga, Phuket, Surat Thani, Ranong and Chumphon

Sawadee Krub

Sawadee Krub and Greetings from Songkhla!

The second half of 2016 has been great for us, as we had organized and participated in a numbers of activities - with local government, universities, Malaysian agencies, business entities, students and Malaysian residing in the Southern Thailand.

As we step into a New Year, it is our proud that 2017 will mark a 60th Anniversary of Malaysia-Thailand Diplomatic Relations, which started since 1957.

Thus, the Consulate General of Malaysia (CGM) in Songkhla,

will continue to engage our stakeholders and strategic partners, in our efforts to strengthen the Malaysia-Thailand relations, particularly in Southern Thailand, in various fields.

On behalf of the CGM, I wish to extend my sincere appreciation for the support and assistance rendered to my office; and we are looking forward to more fruitful cooperation and programs in 2017.

I wish everyone a joyous New Year 2017!

Thank you, terima kasih and *Khob Khun Krub*.



Mohd Afandi Abu Bakar
Consul General



EVENTS

(JUL-DEC 2016)

Photo: Thale Noi lake in Phatthalung Province. One of the biggest lakes in Thailand and covers an area of 28 square kilometers. Almost entire lake is covered with water plants, including water lilies and lotus of various species.

18TH IMT-GT VARSITY CARNIVAL 2016

Rajamangala University of Technology Srivijaya, Songkhla hosted the 18th IMT-GT (Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand Growth Triangle) Varsity Carnival 2016 on 25-31 July 2016. The yearly event were attended by 12 universities (4 from each countries) and divided to 3 segments i.e. Seminars, Sports and Cultures.

Malaysia were represented by Universiti Utara Malaysia (UUM), Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM), Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UNIMEP) and Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) Perlis.

The Consul General of Malaysia delivered his talk entitled "The Roles of Youth in the Future of ASEAN" during the Opening Ceremony of the Seminars' segment.



YALA ACADEMIC EXHIBITION 2016

Yala Academic Exhibition 2016 was organized by Regional Education Office, Region 8, Yala on 23-25 August 2016. The event was officiated by H.E. Dr. Wirakun Aranyanark, Inspector of the Ministry of Education Thailand.

The program's objective was to provide exposure to students on the available opportunities for them to further their higher education, either in Thailand or abroad.

The CGM participated by opening a booth to disseminate information regarding Malaysia in general and available universities in Malaysia.

Upon the invitation by CGM, Sekolah Menengah Sains Hulu Terengganu participated in the event and showcased a beautiful Malay traditional dances during the opening ceremony and the following day.

MTCP ALUMNI

The CGM organized and hosted a luncheon with the Alumni of MTCP (Southern Thailand) in Yala on 20 August 2016.

The event was attended by the then Secretary General of Southern Border Province Administration Center (SBPAC), H.E. Dato' Panu Uthairat, media representatives and 63 MTCP Alumni.

The event has managed to gather almost all MTCP Alumni from 2011 to 2016.



Prince of Songkla University (PSU) Halal Institute organized the World Halal Products Exhibition 2016 at PSU Convention Center on 1-4 September 2016. The event was officiated by H.E. Sheikhul Islam of Thailand. The event showcased various local and international halal products, services and research and development.



The CGM participated and open an information booth during the event. Meanwhile, PERWAKILAN Songkhla took the opportunity to sell some Malaysia delicacies and souvenirs through out the event.



MoU SIGNING BETWEEN KEDAH MUSEUM AND THAKSIN UNIVERSITY

Kedah State Museum and Thaksin University signed a MoU on International Cooperation on 25 November 2016, at Rumah Malaysia, Songkhla. YB Dato' Hj. Mohd Rawi Abd Hamid, Kedah State Exco, signed the MoU on behalf of the Kedah State Museum. Thaksin University was represented by H.E. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Wichai Chumni, the President of the university. The signing was witnessed by the Consul General of Malaysia in Songkhla, Mr. Mohd Afandi Abu Bakar.

The MoU outlined various cooperation between both parties, particularly on the exchange of information, research and development, and tourism development cooperation.





The CGM organized and hosted three *Program Mendampingi Rakyat Malaysia* (PMRM) during the second half of 2016, namely with Malaysian residing in the Southern Thailand;

Malaysian students and lectures in Pattani, Yala and Narathiwat; and Malaysian agencies based in Songkhla and Hatyai. The event was held on 26 September 2016, 26 November 2016 and 7 December 2016, respectively. The event managed to bring the CGM closer to the Malaysian group in Southern Thailand; and strengthening the cooperation between both parties.

The CGM members also took the opportunity to update the database of Malaysian residing in the Southern Thailand during the event.



HARI SUKAN NEGARA 2016

In conjunction with National Sports Day 2016 (*Hari Sukan Negara 2016*), the CGM organized a series of sports activities and games, namely, aerobic, volley ball and *sukan rakyat*.



The program started with a *Negaraku* song, followed by the games, refreshments and prize giving ceremony.

More than 45 participants participated in the program, i.e. HBS and LRS with their families, representatives from the local agencies, Malaysia Police Liaison Office (MPLO) and Malaysia Liaison Office Team (MLOT).





Meeting with the Director General of Protocol, MOFA



Visit by USIM and MARA



Visit to Pattani Vocational College



Merdeka Ride 2016



Receiving H.E. Gen. Prem Tinsulanonda



Courtesy Call by Inspector of the Min. of Labor

***“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world”
-Nelson Mandela-***



Iftar hosted by the Governor of Trang



Monthly Yassin at Rumah Malaysia



THIC 2016 in Surat Thani



Iftar with Orphanage in Narathiwat



Courtesy Call by Islamic Council of Phatthalung



Courtesy Call by Namawintharachutit School

CONSULAR



Photo: Consular Section at the CGM of Songkhla

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday : 8.15 am - 12.00 pm & 1.00 pm - 4.15 pm

Friday : 8.15 am - 12.00 pm & 2.00 pm - 4.15 pm

CONSULAR SECTION OPERATING HOURS

Monday - Thursday : 8.30 am - 11.45 am & 1.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Friday : 8.30 am - 11.45 am & 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm

VISA APPLICATION / VERIFICATION OF MARRIAGE DOCUMENTS

SUBMISSION Monday - Friday : 8.30 am - 11.45 am

COLLECTION Monday - Thursday : 1.00 pm - 3.30 pm

Friday : 1.00 pm - 3.30 pm

(The collection can only be made a day after the submission of the complete documents to the Consular Section of the CGM)

HAVE YOU REGISTERED WITH US?

Malaysian residing in Southern Thailand for a period of more than three months is highly encouraged to register with the Consulate General of Malaysia (CGM) in Songkhla.

The initial registration with basic information of your personal and next of kin particulars could be done by email to CGM's email at

malsongkhla@kln.gov.my

However, fellow Malaysians who have just arrived in Southern Thailand are highly encouraged to register themselves in person at the Consulate General to enable greater networking to be established with the Consular officer.



PERWAKILAN

เทศบาลนครสงขลา





Morning Coffee with Songkhla Muslim Women Association



PERWAKILAN Team for 3-Corner Sports Day



PERWAKILAN Team for WORLD HAPEX 2016



เทศบาลนครสงขลา



PERWAKILAN Team for Hari Sukan Negara 2016



Visit and donation to Sekolah Tahfiz



Welcoming the new member of PERWAKILAN Songkhla



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