

## King's visit to Saudi Arabia, Bahrain will bring abundant benefits: PM

**KUALA LUMPUR:** Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim is confident that the state visit by His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim, King of Malaysia to Saudi Arabia and Bahrain will bring abundant benefits and the best returns for the people and the nation.

Anwar, in a posting on Facebook yesterday, expressed gratitude to His Majesty for the state visit to the two countries.

The prime minister also prayed that the departure of His Majesty and his delegation be blessed by Allah SWT, as well as be granted safety, well-being and success throughout the two state visits.

"I would like to apologise for not being able to bid His Majesty farewell due to my health constraints."

Sultan Ibrahim left for Saudi Arabia this morning for a state visit from today until Nov 6 as part of ongoing efforts to strengthen Malaysia's bilateral relations with various other countries for the interest and benefit of the people and the nation.

The special plane carrying His Majesty departed from the Royal Malaysian Air Force base here at 9 am. His Majesty is scheduled to continue his state visit to Bahrain on Nov 6.  
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His Majesty Sultan Ibrahim departs for Saudi Arabia, marking the beginning of a historic state visit aimed at strengthening Malaysia's ties with the Middle East.  
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