

Muhyiddin Urges Malaysians To Increase Understanding Of Each Other's Culture, Festivals
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KUALA LUMPUR, April 13 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin today urged Malaysians to increase understanding of each other's culture and festivals like the Sikhs' Vaisakhi celebration to foster greater unity.

In his message in conjunction with Vaisakhi, which will be celebrated by the Sikh community numbering some 100,000 people in the country tomorrow, said mutual respect can be further enhanced by doing this.

"It has become our practice as Malaysians, festivals such as this is the time for us to know and understand each other better in order to strengthen and enrich national unity," he said.

Saying he was intrigued by the uniqueness of the Vaisakhi celebration, Muhyiddin said the presence of Sikhs in multi-racial Malaysia was given its due recognition and that the community was always respected just like all the other races in the country.

He said Vaisakhi, an annual festival to celebrate the founding of the Sikh community known as the Khalsa, was not only welcomed by the community itself but the other communities in the country as well.

"Let us all continue to live in peace and harmony in this blessed land," he added.

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