

Sultan Of Selangor Joins Sighting Of New Moon For Ramadan
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SABAK BERNAM, July 19 (Bernama) -- The Sultan of Selangor Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah today joined the sighting of the new moon to determine the start of the fasting month of Ramadan after opening the Selangor Observatory Station in Sungai Lang, 20km from here.

The Keeper of the Rulers' Seal Datuk Syed Danial Syed Ahmad announced tonight that the date for the beginning of the fast for states in Malaysia had been set for Saturday as decreed by the Yang di-Pertuan Agong after getting the consent of the Rulers.

Selangor mufti Datuk Mohd Tamyas Abdul Wahid said the RM2.6 million observatory station conducted courses such as determining the Kaabah direction, prayer times, Muslim calendar, telescoping, astronomical photography, and sighting of new moon.

At the event, Sultan Sharafuddin launched a book entitled 'Bicara Islam Kontemporari' (contemporary Islamic discourse) published by the State Mufti Department.

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