

**Selangor Sultan Reminds Haj Pilgrims Against Carrying Out Demonstrations**  
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SHAH ALAM, Sept 2 (Bernama) -- Sultan of Selangor, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah today reminded Muslims from Selangor who are going to perform the Haj and umrah (visit to a holy place but not completing the Haj) not to engage in demonstrations when in Mecca and Medina.

He said such actions would adversely the good name of the people of Malaysia and the good relations between the government of Malaysia and Saudi Arabia.

Those going to Mecca and Medina must focus on the pilgrimage and not on other purposes, he said when opening a Premier Haj Course for the 1433H/2012 Haj season at the Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Shah Mosque, here, today.

"I also advise would be pilgrims to protect the good name of Selangor and Malaysia which are known by Arab leaders as having pilgrims who are the best and well disciplined.

"Follow all rules and regulations stipulated by the government of Saudi Arabia during the Haj season so that all businesses can be simplified and run smoothly," he said.

He also congratulated the would be pilgrims who were selected to perform the Haj because many had registered but did not yet have the opportunity to perform the Haj.

Sultan Sharafuddin also said would be pilgrims needed to look after their health while in the Holy Land.

Some 4,500 people going for the Haji this season are from Selangor including those who were selected to perform the Haj by the Sultan of Selangor, namely, Samunar Hamdan, 54, Yahya Ahmad, 67, and Tamrin Johari, 65.

Other than them, five are being sponsored by the Selangor Datuk Di Raja and Royal Family Fund while three are funded by the Selangor Islamic Religious Council.

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