

**Parliament: Tabung Haji Subsidy For Haj This Year RM125 Million - Jamil Khir  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Oct 10 (Bernama) -- Tabung Haji has channelled RM125 million in subsidy for Malaysian Haj pilgrims this season compared with RM100 million last year, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Jamil Khir Baharom said on Wednesday.

He said the cost of subsidy borne was more than RM5,000 for each pilgrim performing the Haj for the first time.

Jamil Khir said Malaysia offered a low cost for the Haj compared to other countries in the region.

"When we compare, Brunei charges around RM18,000, Singapore also charges around RM18,000, Indonesia's rates depend on the area, whereby in Jakarta it costs around RM15,000.

"In Thailand, it costs between RM16,000 and RM18,000," he said in reply to a supplementary question from Datuk Ismail Mohamed Said (BN-Kuala Krau) regarding the difference in Haj charges for Malaysian pilgrims and those from neighbouring countries, in the Dewan Rakyat.

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