

Pakistan PM thanks diaspora in Malaysia for contribution to development

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PUTRAJAYA, Nov 21 (Bernama) -- Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan expressed appreciation to the Pakistani diaspora for their contribution by sending remittances for the country's development and to boost the economy.

He also thanked Malaysia's efforts in preventing money laundering and stressed the importance of remittances to ease Pakistan's fiscal situation.

Imran Khan was speaking at a reception attended by more than 500 Pakistani diaspora in Malaysia, here tonight, hosted by the High Commission of Pakistan in Malaysia.

Also present were Pakistan Foreign Minister, Shah Mehmood Qureshi and its High Commissioner to Malaysia, Muhammed Nafees Zakaria.

Imran Khan ended his two-day official visit to Malaysia from Nov 20. This was his first visit to Malaysia after assuming office in August.

The prime minister also urged the Pakistani community in Malaysia to send remittances home via legal channels and help the country's development progress.

He said his current government's priority was to attract investments from overseas as foreign direct investment was vital for Pakistan's economic development.

Imran Khan also thanked the Pakistan High Commission in Malaysia for its active engagement to attract investors from Malaysia.

He praised Malaysia under the new leadership of Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad for its successful efforts in handling the economy, fighting corruption and

managing its domestic issues.

Imran Khan said such successful mechanisms from Malaysia would be emulated by his government in Pakistan's reformation.

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