

LIMA19 : 40 sophisticated ships anchor in Langkawi waters

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LANGKAWI, March 27 (Bernama) -- A parade of 40 local and international ships anchoring off Langkawi in conjunction with the 2019 Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibition (LIMA '19) was very hypnotising and attracted the attention of the government administration's delegation headed by Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

Dr Mahathir and his delegation were taken aboard KD Perantau belonging to the Royal Malaysian Navy for an hour-and-a-half and received the salutes from the crew of all the ships at Resorts World Langkawi here at the exhibition which was entering its second day today.

Among the federal and state government delegates were the Minister of Defence Mohamad Sabu, Economic Affairs Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali, Transport Minister Anthony Loke, Deputy Minister of Home Affairs Datuk Mohd Azis Jamman and Menteri Besar of Kedah Datuk Seri Mukhriz Mahathir.

They were all given the honour of seeing for themselves the greatness and sophistication of the ships, namely, 17 Royal Malaysian Navy ships, five Malaysian Maritime Enforcement Agency (MMEA) ships, MV Polaris from the Marine Department Malaysia, RV Discovery from Universiti Malaysia Terengganu and 16 ships from 12 countries involved in the event.

The 15th edition saw LIMA hosting commercial delegates from 32 countries and 406 defence and commercial companies with 200 international businesses.

All their products and services would be exhibited during the five-day event, until March 30 at the Mahsuri International Exhibition Centre (MIEC) and Resort World Langkawi (RWL).

About 42,000 commercial visitors were expected to gather at LIMA '19, not only to see the latest products and services offered by the participants of the exhibition but also to explore the business potentials especially with companies based in Malaysia.

LIMA`19 comprised 60 per cent defence and 40 per cent commercial and jointly organised by

EN Projects (M) Sdn Bhd, Ministry of Defence and the Transport Ministry.

The Ministry of Defence and the Transport Ministry were supported by the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) and their agencies in the organisations of industrial seminars, business meetings and discussions to encourage trade engagements and to highlight govt initiatives on industry development and trade facilitation.

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