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Haj pilgrimage trains Muslims to unite to uphold Islam, says Terengganu Sultan

KUALA TERENGGANU: The haj pilgrimage is capable of training Muslims, regardless of their background, to unite towards upholding Islam, the Sultan of Terengganu, Sultan Mizan Zainal Abidin said.

He said an incident in the story on Prophet Ismail when Siti Hajar paced back and forth between the hills of Safa and Marwa in search of water for the prophet should be a lesson to all Muslims.

"From that incident, Muslims should instill in them the fighting spirit, to continue to strive, to never give up, when facing

life challenges and upholding Islam," he said when sending off the haj pilgrims to Mecca at the Sultan Mahmud Airport here.

Also present was Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Ahmad Said.

Sultan Mizan advised the haj pilgrims to take care of their health, as well as to be mentally and physically fit, so that they would be able to perform the pilgrimage smoothly.

He said they should also abide by regulations set by the local authorities, as well as the Pilgrims Fund Board (Tabung Haji), as they were intended to ensure their safety. -Bernama