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800 Tabung Haji personnel to be in Mecca during Haj season

PETALING JAYA: A total of 800 Tabung Haji personnel will be in the Holy Land during the Haj season this year, to assist Malaysian pilgrims when performing the Haj.

Tabung Haji senior general manager Datuk Syed Saleh Syed Abdul Rahman said they comprised a medical team, religious advisers, welfare and media workers.

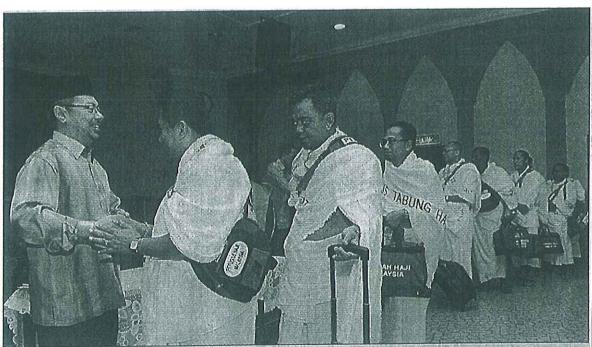
He said this in a ceremony to send off 88 Tabung Haji personnel who were leaving for Mecca and Madinah yesterday evening.

"The first team of 250 information technology personnel left on Sept 5," he told reporters at the Kelana Jaya Tabung Haji Complex here yesterday.

He was confident all personnel were ready, mostly in Madinah, and also in Mecca and Jeddah, to receive the Malaysian pilgrims.

Syed Saleh said the first flight of Malaysian pilgrims to the Holy Land tomorrow would involve 250 people who would leave from the KL International Airport (KLIA) through charter flights, using Malaysia Airlines and Saudi Airlines aircraft.

He said, the pilgrims would depart KLIA at 1.30am and were expected to arrive in Madinah at 5.50am Saudi Arabian time, and would be received by Malaysian Ambassador to Saudi Arabia Datuk Syed Omar Mohamad Al-Saggaf. — Bernama



HAVE A SAFE JOURNEY: Syed Saleh (left) sending off 88 Tabung Haji personnel leaving for Mecca and Madinah. — Bernama photo