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India mulls emulating Tabung Hj

NEW DELHI: The Forum for Haj Pilgrimage Management in India (FHMI) plans to emulate Malaysia's Tabung Haji to better manage Haj pilgrims in the country.

India has the second biggest Muslim population in the world, with more than 180,000 pilgrims performing the Haj each year.

There was a need to reform the entire Haj pilgrim management for a long sustainable institutional system, Times of India reported, quoting Member of Parliament K.Rahman Khan.

"Under the circumstances, the example of Tabung Haji, as practised in Malaysia, seems to be the most viable answer to the problems of Indian Haj pilgrims," he said.

"The aim will be to mobilise the savings of millions of prospective pilgrims -- Bernama