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Malaysia's organisation of haj a real 'role model'

MEDINA: Malaysia's organisation of the haj pilgrimage should be the role model for all other Muslim countries, said Saudi Arabia's Southeast Asia Passport Operations chief Naif Abdul Hameed Shahate.

He said he was impressed with the pilgrims' smooth journey from Malaysia and found that the majority were well prepared for their time in the Holy Land.

By the time Malaysian pilgrims arrived here, most were well informed about their lodging arrangement, passport clearance procedure and the locations of places of worship, said Naif, whose department is under the Ministry of Haj.

"This is the hallmark of an efficient organisation, which involves cooperation between all related departments," he said to Tabung Haji media personnel through an interpreter at Movenpick Hotel here Thursday.

Naif also thanked the Malaysian pilgrimage organisers for making the job of his department easier. — Bernama