

Johor Sultan in Singapore for three-day visit

Johor's ruler, Sultan Ibrahim Iskandar, will be in Singapore today for a three-day visit at the invitation of Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong.

He will be accompanied by Johor Queen Raja Zarith Sofiah, Crown Prince of Johor Tunku Ismail Ibrahim, the crown prince's wife Che' Puan Besar Khaleeda, and Johor Menteri Besar Onn Hafiz Ghazi as well as other state officials, said the Ministry of Foreign Affairs yesterday.

In recognition of his contributions to strengthening ties between Singapore and Johor, Sultan Ibrahim will be conferred an honorary Doctor of Laws degree by the National University of Singapore at the Istana today.

There will also be a new orchid hybrid – the *Dendrobium Ibrahim Zarith* – named in honour of the ruler and his wife.

As part of the visit, President Halimah Yacob and her husband Mohamed Abdullah Alhabshee will host the Sultan and his wife to tea.

Sultan Ibrahim will also meet PM Lee who, together with his wife, Madam Ho Ching, will host the ruler and the queen to lunch.

The Sultan is also slated to meet Senior Minister and Coordinating Minister for National Security Teo Chee Hean and Emeritus Senior Minister Goh Chok Tong.

During his stay here, the ruler will also visit the site of the Johor Bahru-Singapore Rapid Transit System Link terminus in Woodlands North, as well as Sembawang Air Base and the ISEAS – Yusof Ishak Institute.



Sultan Ibrahim Iskandar (above) is visiting the Republic at the invitation of Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong.