

Welcoming Remarks - Muhibah Raya 2024

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- His Royal Highness Prince Haji Al-Muhtadee Billah ibni His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, The Crown Prince and Senior Minister at the Prime Minister's Office
 - Ministers, Deputy Ministers, Distinguished Guests
1. It is a great honour for us to have Your Royal Highness gracing our event today, and I would like to convey our sincerest gratitude for your presence and welcome you to the Muhibbah Raya event, a joint Aidilfitri celebration by the Brunei Shell Joint Venture group of companies, Brunei Gas Carrier, Shell Deepwater Borneo, and Shell Exploration & Production Brunei.
 2. Aidilfitri embodies the spirit of togetherness, and this joint celebration commemorates the unity embodied by the Shell or Shell-affiliated group of companies in Brunei.
 3. 1929 marked the beginning of the rich oil and gas journey for Brunei, and I am proud that the presence of the companies here today represent an end-to-end energy partnership, from upstream to downstream as well as mobility and shipping, that have created *value* for Brunei for almost a century.
 4. Together, we have made histories, at national and international level; we have innovated and delivered more milestones than I can summarise in the time we have together here today; and we have supported the education and development of many Bruneian leaders who have and continue to make positive impact to the industry and the country.
 5. This collaboration has only strengthened and fortified in the last decades, and it is with hope that we continue building on this strong partnership to sustain our mission to safely deliver reliable energy supply that Brunei and the world needs, for a prosperous and thriving future for all.

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6. This is also enabled by our partners, stakeholders, and our board of directors – we have been grateful for all the support, partnership, and guidance and I extend our joint appreciation to all of you.
7. As we celebrate Aidilfitri and re-connect with colleagues and friends today, I would like to invite our honourable guests to enjoy the performances lined up as well as invite you to visit the “open houses” by respective companies, showcasing the diverse initiatives by each company in support of the country and community.
8. With that, I would like to wish everyone Selamat Hari Raya Maaf Zahir dan Batin.
9. Thank you.