

## Sabah, Labuan police do well in maintaining security, public order

LABUAN: All district police contingents in Sabah and the Federal Territory of Labuan have displayed excellent performance in maintaining national security and public order.

Outgoing Sabah Police Commissioner Datuk Abdul Rashid Harun said the coop-

eration and high commitment showed by members of the police force had allowed all planning pertaining to national security to run smoothly.

"Throughout my one-year stint as Sabah police commissioner, a lot of efforts had been made to boost policing includ-

ing (providing) training and (making) preparations in dealing with any kind of threats and cross-border crime, which have not been done before this.

"I'm also satisfied with the cooperation given by all district police chiefs and members, including those in Labuan who

have facilitated all planning on national security," he told a press conference during his work visit here on Wednesday.

Abdul Rashid said Sabah was quite different from other states in terms of security threat, due to its size and coastline of 1,733.7 km from Kudat to

Tawau and with 361 islands, many of which were located near the Philippine border.

He also said that the rise or drop in the crime index did not reflect the real performance of the police force but it indicated the level of public satisfaction towards the security of their

surroundings.

"I have not received any public complaint on the services rendered by the police but more on the feedback to improve policing," he said, adding that there was no issue of intervention by politicians throughout his stint as Bernama