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The performance, managed by the Sabah Cultural Board (LKNS), was brought to life through a collaboration featuring Mutiara Primary School Kota Kinabalu, Kibabaig Primary School Penampang, Art UMS, JCI Lintas, Kentari, Art Bones and the Sabah National Culture and Arts Department.

The showcase featured artistes and choir groups including Azharina Azhar, Edmond Chain, Dr Shariff Zainal, Esso Batos, The Unity Choir, Suara Jauhari, The Male-Efficient, Rey Guntabid, Mary Grace, Elica Paujin, Fanzi Raji, Salma Asis, Eylia Guntabid, Marsha Milan and



Some of the participants at the programme.

Datuk Francis Landong.

Also forming part of the performance was Suara Sorak Malaysia, comprising 300 participants from Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Gaya Campus Teachers’ Training Institute (IPG), KenTari Kent Campus IPG and Kota Kinabalu Polytechnic.

Earlier, the “Warna-warni Borneo” (Colours of Borneo) welcoming performance highlighted the cultural diversity and identity of the Bornean community to greet arriving guests and members of the public.

The celebration commenced at 8pm with the proclamation by Head of State Tun Musa Aman, followed by the Malaysia Day cake-cut-

ting ceremony. Also in attendance was Musa’s consort, Toh Puan Faridah Tussin.

Drawing keen interest, the 2026 Jalur Gemilang Independence Exploration Convoy (KMJG) contingent, led by Sabah Information Director Jainisah Mohd Noor, handed over the Jalur Gemilang to Musa to mark the conclusion of this year’s convoy.

Following that, the event proceeded with the raising of the Jalur Gemilang, accompanied by the national anthem, Negaraku, performed by the Royal Malaysia Police Sabah Contingent Band.

An estimated 3,000 visitors arrived as early as 4pm to join in the celebrations.



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