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Press Release

Impressive turnout as Pakistan Armed Forces Day marked in Kuala Lumpur

Pakistan Armed Forces are fully committed to fighting the menace of terrorism and a strong will demonstrated by the Pakistani nation and successful operations conducted by our armed forces against terrorists are a testimony to our resolve.

This was stated by Defence Advisor to Pakistan High Commission in Malaysia, Commodore Zahid Akram in his welcome address to a grand function held here in the Malaysian capital to mark the Pakistan Armed Forces Day.

General Tan Sri Dato Sri Zulkefeli Bin Mohd Zin, Chief of Defence Forces Malaysia, graced the event as Guest of Honour while Admiral Tan Sri Abdul Aziz bin Hj Jaafar, Chief of Navy, and General Tan Sri Dato Sri Rodzali bin Daud, Chief of Air Force, were among an impressive turnout of High Commissioners, Ambassadors, senior military and civil officials from Malaysian government and a large number of military attaches from different Missions in Kuala Lumpur.

The celebrations started by the playing of national anthems of Malaysia and Pakistan followed by a cake-cutting ceremony performed jointly by General Tan Sri Dato Sri Zulkefeli Bin Mohd Zin, Chief of Defence Forces Malaysia, and Mr. Masood Khalid, High Commissioner for Pakistan in Malaysia.

In his welcome address, Pakistan High Commission Defence Advisor Commodore Zahid Akram highlighted the sacrifices rendered by the Pakistani people and its Armed Forces, saying “no other society and no other armed forces have suffered as much as we in Pakistan in the fight against terrorism”. “Pakistanis are a nation which is strong and resilient and committed to fighting the menace of terrorism,” he said.

He also underscored the growing military-to-military relationships between Pakistan and Malaysia, saying the defence ties between the two countries started in earnest in 1959 when officers of Malaysian Armed Forces started training in Pakistan military institutions. “Since then, these ties have grown stronger with each passing year,” he said, extending heartfelt gratitude to the Government of Malaysia and the Malaysian Armed Forces for their support to Pakistan in hours of need.

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