

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS LEADING TO THE APPOINTMENT OF THE NEW SULTAN OF PAHANG



2018

NOV 2

Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Muhammad V takes leave until Dec 31 to seek treatment abroad; duties temporarily taken over by Deputy Yang di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah.

NOV 23

Photos of Sultan Muhammad V allegedly marrying former Russian beauty queen Oksana Voevodina circulate on social media although there is no official statement on the matter.

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Malay rulers convene in an unscheduled meeting following the end of Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah's duties as acting Yang di-Pertuan Agong in the absence of the king.

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TENGGU ABDULLAH IS NEW SULTAN OF PAHANG

Proclamation ceremony at Istana Abu Bakar in Pekan on Tuesday

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and members of the royal family.

Tengku Abdul Rahman said the installation ceremony would be held at Istana Abu Bakar at 11am on Tuesday.

"With sadness and sorrow, we accept the fact that our father can no longer carry out his duties. Realising this, we agreed to suggest to the Pahang Royal Council that my elder brother be appointed as the successor to my father as sultan of Pahang."

TENGGU ABDULLAH SULTAN AHMAD SHAH

DATE OF BIRTH: July 30, 1959

AGE: 60

PLACE OF BIRTH: Istana Mangga Tunggal, Pekan

FATHER: Sultan Ahmad Shah

MOTHER: Tengku Ampuan Afzan

SIBLINGS: Fourth of seven siblings

SPOUSE: Tunku Azizah Aminah Maimunah Iskandariah Sultan Iskandar

CHILDREN:

- Tengku Amir Nasser
- Tengku Panglima Besar Pahang Tengku Hassanal Ibrahim Alam Shah
- Tengku Muhammad Iskandar Ri'ayatuddin Shah
- Tengku Ahmad Ismail Muadzam Shah
- Tengku Puteri Iman Afzan
- Tengku Puteri Ilisha Ameera
- Tengku Puteri Afzan Aminah Hafizatullah
- Tengku Puteri Jihan Azizah Athiyatullah

REGENT OF PAHANG PROCLAMATION

- Appointed as Tengku Mahkota Pahang on July 1, 1975 and installed on Oct 23, 1977 at Istana Abu Bakar, Pekan.
- Reappointed regent of Pahang as proclaimed in an official letter issued by the Pahang government dated Dec 28, 2016



EDUCATION:

- Sekolah Ahmad, Pekan
- Sekolah Rendah St Thomas, Kuantan
- Sekolah Menengah St Thomas, Kuantan
- Aldenham School, Elstree Hertfordshire — Advance School (1975-1978)
- Davies College, London — Advance School (1978-1979)
- Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, England (1979-1980)
- Worcester & Queen Elizabeth College (Foreign Affairs & Diplomacy) (1981)

OTHER POSTS:

- Pahang Islamic Religious and Malay Customs Council president
- 505 Territorial Army Regiment Commander
- Universiti Malaysia Pahang chancellor
- Universiti Kuala Lumpur chancellor
- Universiti Automotif Malaysia DRB-HICOM chancellor
- Was president of FAM and Malaysian Hockey Confederation

JAN 6

In an unprecedented move, Sultan Muhammad V, whose reign began on Dec 13, 2016, resigns as the 15th Yang di-Pertuan Agong.

JAN 7

Malay rulers decide to hold a special meeting on Jan 24 to choose the 16th Yang di-Pertuan Agong. The oath-taking ceremony will be on Jan 31.

JAN 11

The Pahang Royal Council holds a three-hour meeting at Pullman Hotel, attended by Regent of Pahang Tengku Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah, Tengku Muda of Pahang Tengku Abdul Rahman Sultan Ahmad Shah, Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Wan Rosdy Wan Ismail, Pekan member of parliament Datuk Seri Najib Razak (Orang Kaya Indera Shahbandar and one of the Orang Besar Berempat) and State Secretary Datuk Seri Dr Sallehuddin Ishak.

JAN 12

The Pahang Royal Council announces the appointment of Tengku Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah as the sixth sultan of Pahang. The installation ceremony will be held at Istana Abu Bakar, Pekan, on Jan 15.

TENGGU Abdullah Ahmad Shah has been proclaimed the sixth modern sultan of Pahang, effective immediately, succeeding his father, Sultan Ahmad Shah.

The announcement was made by Tengku Muda of Pahang Tengku Abdul Rahman Sultan Ahmad Shah at Istana Abu Bakar here, accompanied by his brother, Tengku Fahd Mua'adzam Sultan Ahmad Shah, who is Tengku Arif Temenggong Pahang, Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Wan Rosdy Wan Ismail, State Secretary Datuk Seri Salehuddin Ishak

He said the proposal was made because Sultan Ahmad Shah was gravely ill.

He said the proposal was forwarded to the Pahang Royal Council, which met in Kuala Lumpur on Friday, after a discussion was held among the royal family members, and it was unanimously agreed to by the council.

Tengku Abdul Rahman said the Pahang Royal Council meeting on Friday had approved an amendment to the state constitution to give the council the power to ask the ruler to abdicate due to his illness.

He said during the delibera-

tions on the amendment, Tengku Abdullah, as one of the council members, had excused himself from the meeting. Once a decision was made, it was then presented to him for his consent.

"I am confident that my brother will be an efficient, active and fair sultan, no less than my father. My father has educated him well and my brother has been carrying out his duties as the Pahang regent."

He said following the announcement, Tengku Abdullah decreed that their father, Sultan Ahmad Shah, would henceforth be referred to as Duli Yang Maha

Mulia Ayahanda Sultan Ahmad Shah.

Tengku Abdul Rahman said Pahang was undergoing an extraordinary challenge following his father's poor health.

"As you are aware, my father is undergoing medical treatment. On behalf of the family, I would like to express my appreciation to the Pahang people who have prayed for the wellbeing of my beloved father.

"I would like to thank the specialists, doctors and medical teams that have served and taken good care of my father."

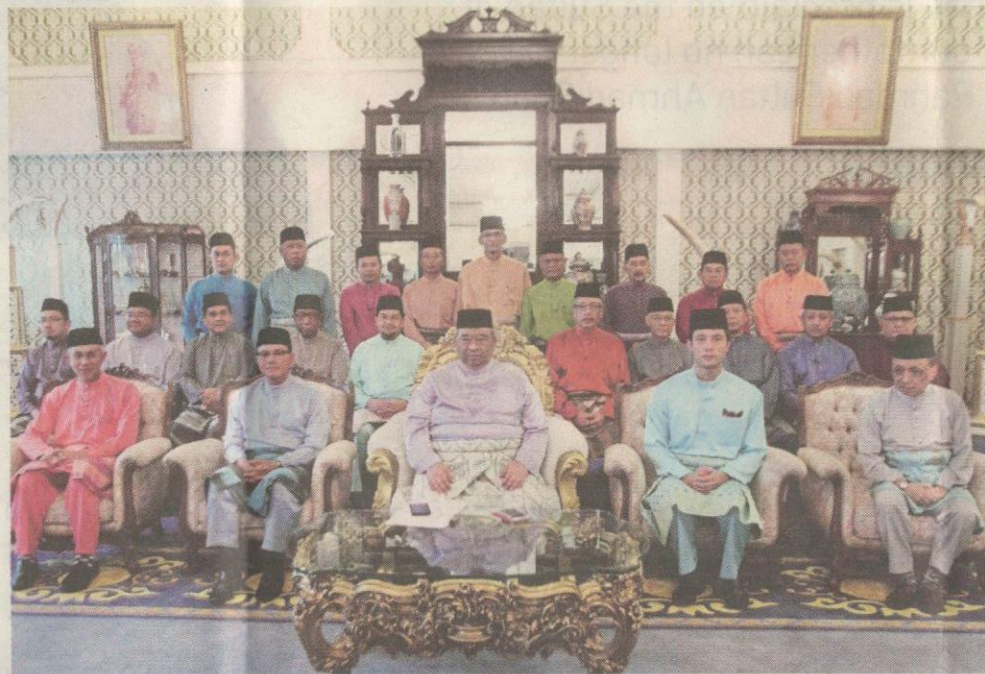
Tengku Abdullah's proclamation as sultan effectively paves the way for his election as the 16th Yang di-Pertuan Agong, based on the rotation system.

Tengku Abdul Rahman, however, said the issue concerning the appointment of the next king was not discussed by the council in its meeting.

"This (appointment of the sultan) is a state affair. (The) appointment of the king depends on the Council of Rulers."

The Council of Rulers is scheduled to hold a special meeting on Jan 24 to choose the next king, following the unprecedented decision by Sultan Muhammad V to step down.

The next in line in the rotation system of the nine Malay rulers is the sultan of Pahang, followed by sultan of Johor and sultan of Perak.



Tengku Muda of Pahang Tengku Abdul Rahman Sultan Ahmad Shah (seated, centre) at Istana Abu Bakar in Pekan yesterday. PIC BY MUHD ASYRAF SAWAL



A file picture of Sultan Ahmad Shah and Tengku Abdullah.

SULTAN AHMAD SHAH

DATE OF BIRTH: Oct 24, 1930

AGE: 88

PLACE OF BIRTH Istana Mangga
Tunggal, Pekan, Pahang

FATHER: Sultan Abu Bakar

MOTHER: Tengku Ampuan Besar
Fatimah Sultan Iskandar Shah

SPOUSE: Sultanah Kalsom

CHILDREN:

- Tengku Meriam
- Tengku Muhaini
- Tengku Aishah
- Tengku Abdullah
- Tengku Abdul Rahman
- Tengku Nong Fatimah
- Tengku Shahariah
- Tengku Abdul Fahd Mu'adzam

SULTAN OF PAHANG PROCLAMATION

- Proclaimed the sultan of Pahang on May 7, 1974, succeeding Sultan Abu Bakar who died on May 5, 1974. Installed the state ruler on May 8, 1975

YANG DI-PERTUAN AGONG PROCLAMATION

- Proclaimed the 7th Yang di-Pertuan Agong, succeeding Sultan Yahya Petra Sultan Ibrahim, who died on April 25, 1979

Source: Sultan of Pahang's Office



EDUCATION:

- Sekolah Melayu in Kuala Kangsar, Perak
- Malay College Kuala Kangsar
- Sekolah Clifford, Kuala Lipis
- Worcester College, Oxford
- University of Exeter, United Kingdom

POSTS:

- Royal Malaysian Airforce's Colonel in Chief
- Supreme Commander of the Malaysian Armed Forces during tenure as the Yang di-Pertuan Agong
- Was president of the Malaysian Football Association, Asian Football Confederation and Asean Football Federation 2011

'PRAY FOR MY FATHER TO BE WITH US'

Sultan Ahmad Shah is undergoing treatment at IJN, says Tengku Muda

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“I HOPE the people of Pahang will pray for the best and my father will be able to be with us when my brother is installed as the sixth sultan of Pahang on Tuesday,” Tengku Muda of Pahang Tengku Abdul Rahman Sultan Ahmad Shah said.

Tengku Abdul Rahman said this at Istana Abu Bakar after Tengku Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah was announced as the new sultan of Pahang.

He did not comment on his father's condition, but Sultan Ahmad Shah has been undergoing medical treatment since

late 2017.

“My father is ill and I don't wish to discuss it. It is better to focus on the proclamation (of the new sultan).”

He said Sultan Ahmad Shah was undergoing intensive treatment at the National Heart Institute.

Malaysians took to social media to congratulate the new sultan.

Facebook user Shairul Rizdiyandi Omar posted: “Tengku Abdullah is a nice person. He is concerned about the people.”

Another user, Yzatt Benh Asann, wrote: “He (Tengku Abdullah) will make a good sultan. Well trained and prepared by his father. Congratulations to the people of Pahang.”

Bernama reported that Tengku Abdullah has vast experience and holds the second longest record as crown prince after Prince of Wales Prince Charles.

Tengku Abdullah, born on July 30, 1959, at Istana Mangga Tunggal here, was Pahang crown

prince for nearly 44 years after being appointed the heir to the throne on July 1, 1975, a day after turning 16.

His father, Sultan Ahmad Shah, officially became the fifth sultan of Pahang on May 7, 1974, following the death of his grandfather, Sultan Abu Bakar, two days earlier.

Prince Charles has held the title of Prince of Wales since 1958.

Tengku Abdullah is well acquainted with the state's administrative affairs, especially since he was twice tasked with becoming the regent of Pahang.

The first time he took over his father's duties was on April 28, 1979, for a five-year period when he was only 20, following Sultan Ahmad Shah's appointment as the seventh Yang di-Pertuan Agong (1979-1984).

Even at such a young age, he fulfilled the responsibilities entrusted to him, thus highlighting the leadership talent he inherited from his father.

Sultan Ahmad Shah once again appointed him regent on Dec 28,

2016, when his health began to wane.

Tengku Abdullah received his early education at Sekolah Rendah Ahmad here before moving to Sekolah Rendah Saint Thomas, Kuantan. He attended Sekolah Menengah St Thomas, Kuantan, before furthering his studies overseas.

His simple and humble attitude made his teachers and friends feel at ease. He excelled in studies and sports.

After attending Aldenham School in Elstree Hertfordshire, the United Kingdom, from 1975 to 1978, he did his foundation at the Davies College, London, for a year in 1978. He furthered his studies in Foreign Affairs and Diplomacy at Queen Elizabeth College, Oxford University, in 1981.

While in London, he pursued military studies and training at the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst, from 1979 to 1980 and was recognised as second lieutenant by Queen Elizabeth II.

Tengku Abdullah has been a big fan of sports since he was a

child and is active in games like hockey, football and sepak takraw. He was chosen to represent his school, district and state in football.

It was his experience in sports that Tengku Abdullah was elected Football Association of Malaysia president from 2013 to 2017. He is an executive committee member of the Fédération Internationale de Football Association. He was appointed to the post in 2015.

On March 6, 1986, Tengku Abdullah married Tunku Azizah Aminah Maimunah Iskandariah Sultan Iskandar. They have four princes and five princesses.

They are Tengku Amir Nasser, Tengku Puteri Iman Afzan, Tengku Puteri Ilisha Ameera, Tengku Panglima Besar Pahang Tengku Hassanal Ibrahim Alam Shah, Tengku Puteri Ilyana, Tengku Muhammad Iskandar Ri'ayatuddin Shah, Tengku Ahmad Ismail Muadzam Shah, Tengku Puteri Afzan Aminah Hafizatullah and Tengku Puteri Jihan Azizah 'Athiyatullah.