Installation do that Perak folk won't forget



Renak-Hillorg The Sultan and Raja Permaisuri Perak perform a traditional rite

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THE installation celebrations of the Sultan of Perak recently will be an event which I will never forget. The State capital of Ipoh was gaily decorated with arches, flags and hundreds of thousands of colored lights, making the town look like a fairyland at night.

The fireworks display at the stadium was magnificent and something which most Ipoh residents were

seeing for the first time.

Crowds of people lined the route from Ipoh to the Istana Iskandariah in Kuala Kangsar in the early hours of Dec 9 to catch a glimpse of the members of royal families and other VIPs in their expensive vehicles led by siren-sounding police outriders making their way to the palace for the installation ceremony.

The Istana Iskandariah was the high point of decoration with the shining domes decorated with coloured bulbs almost completely lighting up the vast istana ground. This attracted thousands of people to Bukit Chandan to admire the beauty of the palace.

To me it was a very fitting occasion not just to celebrate a great event but also to give the people of Perak an opportunity to take their minds off the economic slowdown that has been bugging us. It was money well spent!

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