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**KUALALUMPUR:** Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Najib Tun Razak will be visiting Saudi Arabia this week, where he has been scheduled to deliver a keynote address at the Jeddah Economic Forum 2007.

The visit will be from tomorrow, Feb 23 to March 1.

He will address the economic forum on Feb 27.

Najib will be accompanied by his wife, Datin Seri Rosmah Mansor and senior government officials as well as members of the private sector, a statement from the Foreign Affairs Ministry said here yesterday.

The Jeddah Economic Forum provides a platform for leaders from the public and private sectors to discuss various economic, political and social issues affecting the region and the world.

While in Jeddah, the deputy prime minister will be witnessing the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) between the Malaysian Multimedia Development Corporation (MDec),

Mimos and Islamic Development Bank (IDB) on cooperation to undertake socio economic development through use of information communication technology (ICT) for the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) member countries.

On Feb 26, Najib will attend a presentation on the progress of the E-Madinah, a project to implement E-government in Madinah for which MDec was appointed a strategic consultant by Saudi company, Integrated Visions, in 2004.

At the same time, Najib will witness the signing of a MoU between MDec and Seera City Real Estate Development Corporation of Saudi Arabia on a collaboration in the Madinah Knowledge Economic City (KEC) project, and a contract between KEC and MSCTC, subsidiary of MDec to undertake consulting work for the project.

During the visit, Najib will also perform Umrah and meet with the Malaysian community in Jeddah. — Bernama