KOTA BAHARU: The International Trade & Industry Ministry (MITI) hopes that Kelantan can become a leader in the halal industry of Malaysia since the majority of its people are Muslims.

Its minister Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed said he wanted to see Kelantan ahead of other states in the development of the halal industry.

"However, there are a lot of things that could be done to make Kelantan a great state in the halal industry," he said to reporters after launching the Global Halal Conference 2014 here yesterday.

The two day conference starting yesterday is organised by UiTM Kelantan with the cooperation of MITI to discuss the halal industry.

"The halal industry is a national agenda and we will work together with all parties to develop the sector. This collaboration with the UiTM Kelantan was a good idea," Mustapa said. – Bernama