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“SUHAKAM Presents the 2016 Human Rights Awards”

KUALA LUMPUR (8 DECEMBER 2016) - As the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (SUHAKAM) commemorates the anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), it honours six winners in recognition of their extraordinary contributions and commitment to the promotion and protection of human rights in Malaysia.

In conjunction with SUHAKAM’s Human Rights Awards Ceremony 2016, six recipients who have shown unwavering dedication to advancing human rights in Malaysia are honoured. This year, a Special Recognition is presented to YB Senator Datuk Paul Low Seng Kuan, Minister in the Prime Minister’s Department, who has made an outstanding contribution to and has demonstrated excellence in the protection and promotion of human rights within the intricate structures of Government.

This year, SUHAKAM honours:

- 1. Dr Madhusudhan Shammugam** (Individual Award)
SUHAKAM honours Dr Madhusudhan who formed the Teddy Mobile Clinic for providing free medical care to the homeless in Kuala Lumpur.
- 2. Malaysia Handicraft Development Corporation** (Government Agency Award)
SUHAKAM honours the Malaysia Handicraft Corporation for their efforts to promote socioeconomic progress for local communities.
- 3. Stephen Then Vui Fah** (Print Media Award)
Stephen receives an award in the print media category for his tireless efforts in writing news articles related to vulnerable groups in the country especially those who are marginalised, with a view to promoting equality for all.
- 4. Boo Su-Lyn** (Media Award)
Su-Lyn is recognised for her extraordinary reporting especially on human rights issues.

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5. Mydin Mohamed Holdings Berhad (Business Entity Award)

Mydin Mohamed Holdings Berhad wins the Business Entity Award for its noble initiative to promote career development for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) by employing PWDs. As at June 2014, a total of 115 PWDs have been employed by Mydin Mohamed Holdings. To further strengthen the PWD Programme, Mydin has put in place an action plan for the training and recruitment of PWDs.

6. The Centre for Environment, Technology & Development, Malaysia (CETDEM)
(Civil Society Organization Award)

CETDEM is honoured for its continuous efforts and active involvement in promoting and protecting human rights through initiatives that seek to create and sustain a clean and healthy environment for all.

SUHAKAM wishes to congratulate and commend the winners for their determined efforts and sustained commitment to advancing universal human rights and hopes that their success will continue to inspire others for the advancement of human rights in Malaysia.

SUHAKAM hopes that our national commitment to human rights will be purposively remembered and celebrated by all Malaysians in an engaged, active and participative manner.

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