

Mahathir becomes honorary master builder

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KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. — Datuk Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad tonight became the first honorary master builder in the country when he received a special Master Builders Association award.

In the words of association president Datuk Yeoh Tiong Lay, it is "a fitting tribute to our leader who is destined to be noted and remembered as a truly great master builder of the nation."

The citation of the First Master Builders

Gold Medal Award reads: "In recognition and appreciation of his dynamic leadership and contribution to national development and promotion of a strong and progressive Malaysian construction industry.

"His positive encouragement to upgrade the Malaysian construction industry through effective transfer of technology, adoption of good work ethics to achieve higher efficiency and productivity and application of modern management approach has motivated the local construction industry to modernise and strive for self-reliance and professional excellence."

Association executive director Kong Yee Peng said such awards would in future be given to deserving personalities either in the public or private sectors for their contribution in enhancing the image of the local construction industry.