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NATIONAL AWARD FOR VETERAN JOURNALISTS

KUALA LUMPUR, March 23 (Bernama) -- The Persatuan Wartawan Malaysia (PWM) will introduce the "Wartawan Cemerlang Negara" award for veteran journalists as a sign of respect and in appreciation of their services.

At its meeting last week, the association had agreed to bestow the award to five veteran journalists whose names would be announced on the night of "Malam Perdana PWM on April 3.

PWM President Yazid Haji Othman said Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad would present the award to the recipients.

"The selection for the award is based on seniority in journalism, high spirit of patriotism and contribution to local journalism," he said in a statement issued here today.

He said there were many veteran journalists who deserved the award but the association decided for the time being to limit the number of recipients to only five. --Bernama

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