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NAJIB GETS FIRST LICT FELLOWSHIP

PETALING JAYA, Aug 14 (Bernama) -- Education Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak was today awarded with first Limkokwing Institute of Creative Technology (LICT) honorary fellowship.

This was in recognition of his contributions and outstanding achievement in education and human resource development.

Najib received the award from LICT special adviser Tan Sri Ghazalie Shafie in a ceremony at the new LICT building here.

LICT president Tan Sri Lim Kok Wing, its governor Mokhzani Mahathir and executive director Puan Sri Tessie Lim were present.

Najib, in his acceptance speech, said the award was also in recognition of the contributions made by ministry officials and teachers.

He said the government's emphasis on the national education system was towards the creation of a united, harmonious and progressive society by providing education for all.

Najib said: "We have to ensure our human capitals are capable of meeting the challenges of the next century. Furthermore, education is the agenda of the next century compared to other factors of production."

The ministry has comprehensively reformed the education system into a systemic and holistic one to create the right kind of human capital required to achieve further national progress and prosperity, he said.

He said the creation of smart schools, which is one of the flagship applications of the Multimedia Super Corridor (MSC), was part of the changes to mould creative-thinking students.

Najib commended the LICT for responding to the call for the development of creative-thinking education.

Designs, industrial designs, creative work drawings were among areas of creativity crucial for the nation's products to be in the forefront, he said.

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