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THREE MALAYSIANS AMONG RECEIPIENTS OF ASEAN ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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JAKARTA, Aug 7 (Bernama) -- Malaysian Aids Council president Datuk Paduka Marina Mahathir was among three Malaysian who were presented the Fifth Asean Achievement Awards here tonight.

Marina, who was given the award for community service, received it from Indonesian Co-ordinating Minister of Production and Distribution Hartarto Sastrosoenarto at a dinner.

The other two Malaysians are Mimis Bhd president and chief executive Tengku Mohd Azzman Shariffadeen Tengku Ibrahim and Universiti Teknologi Malaysia vice-chancellor Datuk Dr Ahmad Zaharudin Idrus.

Tengku Mohd Azman received the award for the information technology category, and Dr Ahmad Zaharudin for science.

Present at tonight's ceremony were Asean Business Forum Forum (ABF) president Tan Sri Loy Hean Heong and Asean secretary-general Datuk Ajit Singh. ABF is the organiser of the annual awards since 1992.

The president of the Indonesia Chamber of Commerce, Aburizal Bakrie, who is the chairman of the Bakrie group, was awarded the Asean Businessperson of the Year award.

Others who received the awards included Prof Dr Visith Sitprija of Thailand (in the Medical Category), Dr Cham Tao Soon of Singapore (education), Benedicto Cabrera of the Philippines (visual and performing arts), Somluck Kamsing of Thailand (Sports), Dr Francisco L. Viray of the Philippines (engineering) Prof Dr Emil Salim of Indonesia (environmental protection), and Dr Tan Tin Wee of Singapore (research and development)

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