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PM honours country's oldest companies

FIVE of the oldest companies in Malaysia were yesterday honoured by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad at the Registry of Companies' centennial celebrations.

The companies are Ayer Hitam Planting Syndicate Bhd, Rahman Hydraulic Tin Bhd, the Ayer Molek Rubber Company Bhd, the United Malacca Rubber Estates Bhd and Kwong Wah Yit Poh Press Bhd.

Receiving the awards were Ayer Hitam managing director Lim Yee Bee, Rahman Hydraulic chairman Tan Sri K.S. Nijhar, Ayer Molek Rubber chairman Lt-Gen (Rtd) Raja Datuk Abdul Rashid Raja Badiozaman, United Malacca chairman Choi Siew Hong and Kwong Wah Yit Poh managing director Datuk Oon Choo Khye.

In his speech, Registrar Datuk Ramly Ali said as of July 4, more than 468,000 companies had registered with the ROC.

The Prime Minister also presented awards to eight former Registrars of Companies including its first, Tan Sri Gunn Chit Tuan (1968-1970).

The others are Datuk Nik Hussein Nik Ali (1970-1974), Abdullah Ghazali (1974-1975), Tan Sri Zulklifli Mahmood (1975-1978 and 1979-1985), Datuk Mokhtar Sidin (April 1978-Aug 1978), Ahmad Abdul (1978-1979), Datuk Mohd Ghazali Mohd Yusof (1985-1989) and Zainun Ali (1989-1994).

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