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Stuntman abseils down KL Tower into record book

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. - Local stuntman Saharudin Yusof created history today as the first Malaysian to abseil down the Kuala Lumpur Tower from a height of 319 metres.

Saharudin's record-breaking feat of abseiling down the tallest communication tower in Asia and fourth tallest in the world secured him a deserving space in the Malaysia Book of Records.

Saharudin had earlier climbed the tower and stood on the antenna mast, 102 metres from the tower head, and waved the Jalur Gemilang to the cheering crowd below.

Saharudin, 37, is also a volunteer with the Fire and Rescue Department.

The feat was held in conjunction with the Malaysia Book of Records Awards Night to be held tomorrow at Dewan Wawasan Parti Gerakan Rakyat Malaysia.

Saharudin will make a second attempt to repeat the feat tomorrow which will be carried "live" for a cross-over to Dewan Wawasan PGRM to be witnessed by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad who will then hand Saharudin the Malaysia Book of Records certificate.

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