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Good employers, workers get recognition

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. - Good work deserves a good word, as some employers and workers were reminded today when they received excellence awards from the Prime Minister.

Holding certificates and trophies, they stood beside Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and Human Resources Minister Datuk Dr Fong Chan Onn, while the masters of ceremony listed their achievements and contribution.

The Caring and Benevolent Employer Award 2001 was given to ST Microelectronic Sdn Bhd and Dua-H Auto Sdn Bhd, for the category of large industries and small and medium-sized industries respectively.

Besides job training, both companies had provided various facilities to their staff, including to those with disabilities, the crowd at the Labour Day 2001 gathering heard.

In like manner, Infineon Technologies (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd was praised for producing knowledge workers and Ladang Batu Lintang for being the ideal estate for workers.

Workers' involvement in unions was not forgotten, as the Sarawak Teachers Union and Kesatuan Pekerja-Pekerja Hitachi Consumer Products (M) Sdn Bhd were presented with awards for excellence in union work.

The former represented the public sector and the latter the private sector.

Total quality management and communications manager Kenzer Tan Heck Wee, 40, was named the best male worker for his efforts in quality programmes and fundraising for the national paralympic team, besides serving as company newsletter editor and company executive club chairman.

The award for best female worker went to Elektrisola (M) Sdn Bhd section leader Rohana Abdul Rahman, 33, whose creativity and innovation helped the company save money.

Special mention was also given to medical appointment clerk Teo Kah Choon, 32, and university librarian Batmavathi a/p Krishnan, 47, for the best male and female worker with disabilities.

Teo was praised for his artwork for the hospital and active involvement in sports and social welfare, while Batmavathi was recognised for training library science students, representing Malaysia at the Wheelchair Tennis Open Championship in Thailand and contributing to a few book publications.

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