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Law gets long service award

KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. - Science, Technology and Environment Minister Datuk Law Hieng Dieng today received a long service award for his 27 years of service at the Ministry.

He begun his career in 1974 as the Parliamentary Secretary in what was then known as the Technology, Research and Local Government Ministry.

It became the Science, Technology and Environment Ministry in 1976.

In 1987, Law became Deputy Minister and Minister in 1990. He received the award from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

The other long service award recipient was Abd Aziz Ramli who had served for 25 years since 1976. He is currently the driver to the Ministry's secretary-general.

The awards were presented in conjunction with the Ministry's Silver Jubilee celebrations.

The Prime Minister also presented prizes to the National Science Quiz winners - Zulkifli Ibrahim, Mohd Khairul Fazly Ahmad and Amir Ariff Mohamed Hasan from the Mara Junior Science College in Langkawi.

Mohd Khairul was also adjudged the best participant. The prize includes a trip to Stockholm in December to witness the prize-giving ceremony of the Nobel awards.

In his speech, Law said the Ministry was finalising the Biosafety Act and Access to National Biological Resources Act to address the issues of biosafety and exploration of national biological resources.

He said a National Biological Diversity Policy had also been formulated to make Malaysia a centre of excellence in conservation, research and utilisation of its resources. The Ministry is scheduled to move to Putrajaya in August.

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