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Mohd Istaufik recites poem like a professional

YOUNG TALENT ... He may be young, but eight-year-old Mohd Istaufik Sazali, showed no nervousness at all while reciting the five-minutes poem entitled Di Halaman Kembar Mekar, which was composed by his father, poet Sazali Yaakob.

Instead, the young boy emerged like a true professional, reciting the poem in front of some 15,000 at the Perhimpunan Patriotisme Alaf Baru gathering.

Mohd Istaufiq received thunderous applause from the guests, including Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, his wife Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, Youth and Sports Minister Datuk Hishammuddin Hussein and Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Dr Mohd Khir Toyo.

Clad in a light blue baju melayu, Mohd Istaufiq's voice was truly spirited when he touched on patriotism and the struggles of the country's past leaders.

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