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Song-Contest

"KISAHMU BELUM BERAKHIR" DECLARED WINNER OF PATRIOTIC SONG CONTEST

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 26 (Bernama) -- The song "Kisahmu Belum Berakhir" penned and sung by 23-year old Shanon Shah Mohamed Sidik was proclaimed winner of the ICOM Millennium Malaysian Patriotic Song Competition 2001 here tonight.

The Kedah lad who graduated with first class honours in chemical engineering in Australia last year netted RM50,000 and a trophy for his effort.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad presented prizes to the winners of the competition which was broadcast live over RTM.

Second place went to Azim Sulaiman, 24, from Selangor who took home RM20,000 for his upbeat creation "Negeraku Malaysia". Azim also sang his own song.

Kuala Lumpur lass Nisha @ Sujatha Arunasalam, 21, walked away with the third prize offering of RM7,500 with her song "One Nation, One Land" performed by Sheena Suriya Balakrishnan.

The three winners were from among 12 finalists who took part tonight.

The primary objective of the competition was to encourage Malaysian youth to express their sense of patriotism and loyalty to the country through songwriting and music performance.

ICOM, which stands for the International College of Music, was established in 1996 with the objective of enhancing musicianship in Malaysia and the region and to develop and groom talented music students to become professional musicians able to spearhead innovative changes in the professional music industry.

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