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Patriotic response to song competition

THE ICOM Millenium Malaysian Patriotic Song Competition 2001 held at the Auditorium Perdana, Angkasapuri, Kuala Lumpur saw some distinguished guests including Prime Minister, Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad.

At the event, 12 finalists performed in a show telecasted "live" over TV1 and three emerged winners, namely, Shanon Shah, Azim Sulaiman and Nisha Arunasalam.

The competition organised by ICOM was solely sponsored by the music school.

The organisers spent an approximate RM2 million for the entire event, including RM100,000 in cash prizes for the contestants.

Although students of ICOM were not allowed to enter the competition, they were not left out as they showed off their talents during short breaks that night.

Audiences were entertained not only by the opening choir group but also a modern dikir barat titled Dikir RAP.

The competition was organised in response to the Prime Minister's request for youths to develop the spirit of patriotism.

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