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Gerakan to enter record book for ISO award

KUALA LUMPUR, Thurs. - Gerakan will be recognised by the Malaysia Book of Records as the first political party to achieve the ISO 9001 award.

It will go into the record book during its national delegates' conference in October.

Secretary-general Chia Kwang Chye said the party had officially obtained the award certification for its membership management and administration system from the Chamber Certification Assessment Services Ltd of Britain on April 8.

On learning of Gerakan's achievement, Chia said the Malaysia Book of Records contacted the party, and upon verification, had confirmed that it was the first political party in the country to obtain such an award.

"Our party president Datuk Seri Dr Lim Keng Yaik had felt we should improve the membership section first before improving other sections which deal with non-party members.

"Arrangements are being made for the official handing over ceremony of the award next month," he said, adding that the new membership system ensured more effective and efficient management of the party members.

Chia, who is also the Energy, Communications and Multimedia parliamentary secretary said this year's 31st delegates' conference would be held at the Dewan Wawasan, Menara PGRM in Cheras, here.

It would be officiated by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who is also the Barisan Nasional chairman.