

Dr Siti Hasmah

receives award

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PENANG, Thurs. — Yang di-Per-tua Negeri Tun Abdul Rahman Ab-bas conferred the **Darjah Utama Pangkuan Negeri** award, which carries the title “Datuk Seri Utama” on Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali at the Rumah Tetamu in Jalan Macalister yesterday.

The Order of Chivalry, instituted in 1967, is the highest order in the State and conferred in conjunction with Abdul Rahman’s 65th birthday recently.

Dr Siti Hasmah was honoured for her excellent contributions and out-standing services in the fields of medicine, education and public ser-vices, both at the national and in-ternational levels.

Present at the ceremony was Ab-dul Rahman’s wife Toh Puan Maji-mor Shariff.

Others included Chief Minister Tan Sri Dr Koh Tsu Koon, several State Executive Councillors and Dr Siti Hasmah’s daughter, Datuk Pa-duka Marina Mahathir, who is also the president of the Malaysian AIDS Council.

Born in Selangor in 1926, Dr Siti Hasmah was among the few pioneer Malay women doctors in Kedah.

In recognising her contributions to the nation, Dr Siti Hasmah has also received numerous awards.