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YOUTH BODIES CAN NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR 2003 AWARDS

KUALA LUMPUR, March 4 (Bernama) -- Malaysian Youth Council (MYC) request all its organisations to send their respective nominations and candidate names, who had contributed to the development of youths, for the 2003 National Youth Awards ceremony.

MYC' secretary-general, Norizan Sharif, said the winners would be announced on May 15, at the Putra Stadium in Bukit Jalil Sports Complex, in conjunction with the National Youth Day.

In a statement issued here today, he said winners would receive cash prizes and commendation certificates from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, who is expected to launch the event.

"The National Youth Award is given to recognise individual's and association's excellent contributions to the national youth development."

The award ceremony is divided into five categories -- the premier award, leadership, skill, entrepreneur and volunteer.

Norizan said the premier award for associations, introduced for the first time, is aimed to recognise active youth bodies at district, state and national levels.

Under this category, the best youth association will be selected at each district and winners will compete at state and national levels.

More details on the awards presentation can be obtained from the Youth and Sports Ministry's office, MYC, state and district youth and sports departments.

Last year, Melaka Chief Minister, Datuk Seri Mohd Ali Rustam won the special award "Tokoh Belia Lelaki" while former Kota Baharu parliamentarian, Illani Datuk Ishak won the "Tokoh Belia Wanita" award.

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