Johore’s ruler honours prime minister

JOHORE BARU, Fri. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr. Mahathir Mohamad heads a list of 539 recipients who have been conferred awards by the Sultan of Johore in conjunction with his 57th birthday tomorrow.

Dr Mahathir receives the State’s highest award, Darjah Kerabat Yang Amat Mulia Pangkat Pertama (DKI), which is usually reserved for royalty.

The Sultan of Johore, who is the Yang di-Pertuan Agong, has also conferred the Pingat Indera Pangeran Idris II on Sultanah Zanariah, who is the Raja Permaisuri Agong, and Sultanah Nora Ismail.

Five others will receive the Darjah Mahkota Johor Yang Amat Mulia Pangkat Kedua (PMJ) which carries the title “Datuk”. They include Welfare Services Minister Haji Mustaffa Mohamad and Deputy Housing and Local Government Minister Datuk S. Subramaniam.