



OUR HEROES: Abdullah with Ahmad Reduan (left) and Muhammad Muqharabbin.

PM pays tribute to Everest conquerors

SHAH ALAM, Tues. — Prime Minister Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi joined thousands of Universiti Teknologi Mara students to pay tribute to Mount Everest conquerors Ahmad Reduan Rozali and Muhammad Muqharabbin Mokhtaruddin tonight.

Abdullah said their achievement should motivate others to strive for

greater heights.

He said the conquest of the highest mountain in the world was a pride not only for the students and staff of UiTM but also the whole nation.

He also congratulated those who had contributed towards making the expedition possible.

"May it become an example for

others in the effort to achieve excellence in their academic and non-academic activities," he said.

The 22-year-olds reached the 8,848-metre summit of Mount Everest at 10.50am Malaysian time on May 16. They were part of the "Everest for the Country Expedition", jointly organised by UiTM and the Ministry of Youth and Sports.