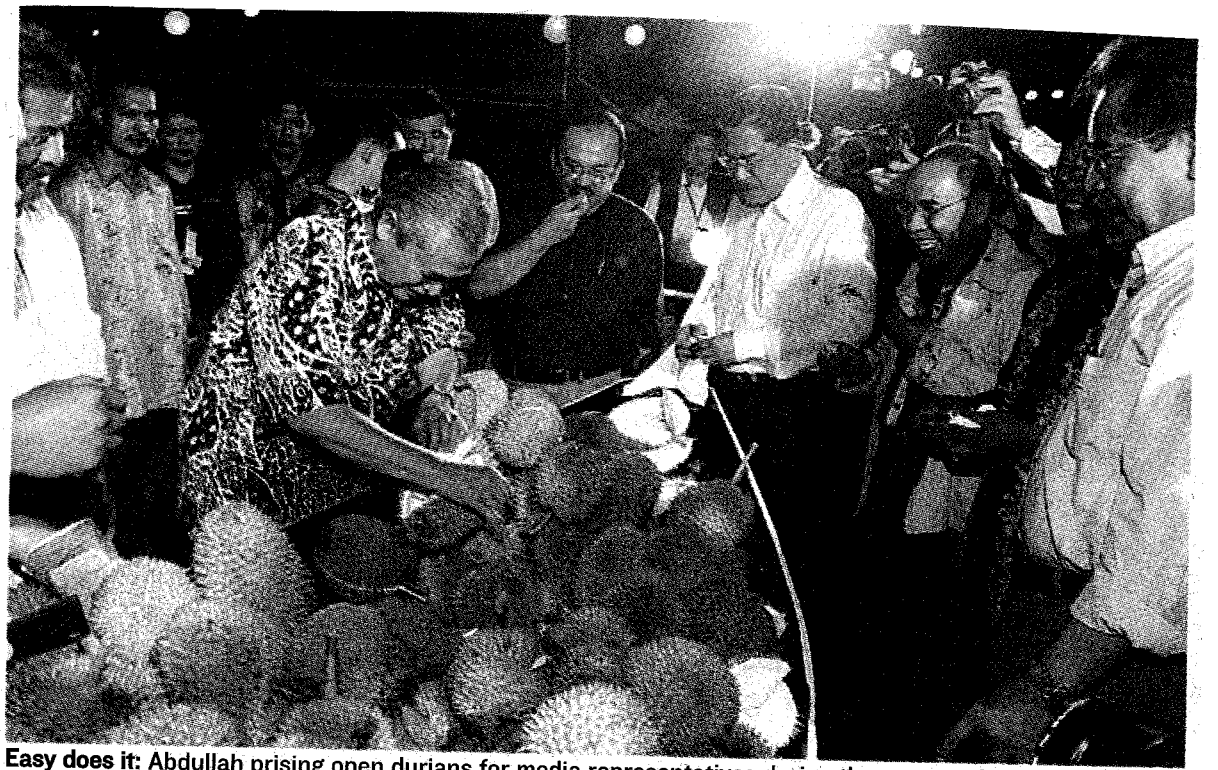

Easy does it: Abdullah prising open durians for media representatives during the get-together with the media at his residence last night.

Durian feast at Pak Lah's media party

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PUTRAJAYA: Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi played host to more than 1,000 people from the print and electronic media in the grounds of his official residence, Laman Sari, here last night.

While there was an array of local favourites and delicacies, the drawing point was a boat-shaped trough with a heap of durians.

The Prime Minister showed how he could deftly prise the King of Fruits with his fingers.

Besides the glorious food – that included satay, fried noodles, kuew teow, laksa, putu bambu, tahu bakar, rojak and chicken rice – there was also the frosty ais kacang and a variety of local fruits.

The world famous Kun Seng Keng lion and dragon dance troupe and a gambus group entertained guests as they dined and chatted with the Prime Minister, who also encouraged them to make contributions to flood victims in Johor and other badly-affected states.

In a brief speech, Abdullah thanked the media, adding that he had just visited flood victims in Batu Pahat, the worst-affected district in Johor.

He hoped the floods would start receding soon so that everyone at the relief centres could get back home.

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