

PM will launch largest gathering of journalists in May

PUTRAJAYA: Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob will launch the largest gathering of Malaysian journalists at the National Journalists' Day 2022 (Hawana) celebration next month.

The Prime Minister, who met with media representatives yesterday, agreed to attend the event scheduled for May 29 in Melaka.

The celebration is to honour journalists in the country, the Malaysian-Indonesian Journalists' Association (Iswami) said in a statement yesterday.

The celebration will also be held in conjunction with the first publication of *Utusan Melayu* on May 29, 1939.

The first National Journalists' Day was held in 2018.

Among the media representatives who attended the meeting with the Prime Minister yesterday were Iswami president Datuk Mokhtar Hussain, adviser Datuk Zakaria Abdul Wahab, Bernama acting chief executive officer Roslan Ariffin and Astro Awani editor-in-chief Ashwad Ismail.

Iswami also said it and Bernama would take the leading role in the celebration, involving other media agencies, associations and practitioners.



Due recognition: Ismail Sabri (right) chatting with Roslan (second from left) during a meeting with media executives, editors and senior journalists in Putrajaya. - Bernama

Ismail Sabri breaks fast with Umno division leaders

PUTRAJAYA: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob broke fast with the heads, deputy heads and secretaries of Umno divisions at his official residence in Seri Perdana here.

The event last night, which was attended by about 1,500 guests, also included state Umno liaison chairmen. Among them were Datuk Seri Wan Rosdy (Pahang), Datuk Ahmad Jazlan Yaakub (Kelantan) and Tan Sri Noh Omar (Selangor).

Umno division chiefs present included Datuk Seri Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz (Padang Rengas), Datuk Seri Najib Razak (Pekan) and Datuk Seri Abdul Azeez Abdul Rahim (Baling).

A total of 35 orphans from Pertubuhan Kebajikan Anak-Anak Yatim dan Asnaf Baitun Nurrawdhah in Keramat, Kuala Lumpur, also attended the event.

Ismail Sabri later joined a congregation to perform maghrib, isyak and terawih prayers. — Bernama