

## **Maybank Foundation & Perdana Leadership Foundation Writing & Photo Contest Deadline Extend To Sept 30**

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 23 (Bernama) -- The deadline for the Maybank Foundation and Perdana Leadership Foundation Writing and Photo Contest 2015 is now extended from Sept 16 to Sept 30.

Chief Executive Officer of Maybank Foundation Shahril Azuar Jimin said the contest deadline was extended after they received fantastic response from young Malaysians to participate in this year's contest themed, 'Empowering Youth for a Better ASEAN'.

"We received several requests from universities to extend the deadline and we hope the additional two weeks will allow new entrants to submit their entries as well as encourage our current participants to send in additional entries," he said in a statement Wednesday.

The contest seeks to discover and reward original thought and creative expression, and encourages Malaysian youth between the ages of 13 and 21 to express their opinions through essays, fiction and photo-essays.

The contest launched by former Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad last June offers hundreds of prizes, including up to US\$2,500 cash, Macbooks, MPH book vouchers as well as E-Book Readers while the winners will get the chance to meet with an established writer and photo-journalist at the prize-giving event at the end of the year.

Schools, colleges and institutions that send in the highest number of entries also stand a chance to win cash, books and book vouchers along with special mentions in the contest's upcoming publication.

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