

## **Ahmad Zahid Heads List Of 760 Melaka Award Recipients**

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MELAKA, Oct 8 (Bernama) -- Deputy Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi heads a list of 760 recipients of Melaka state honours in conjunction with the 77th birthday of Melaka Yang Dipertua Negeri Tun Mohd Khalil Yaakob on Friday.

Melaka State Secretary Datuk Naim Abu Bakar said Ahmad Zahid will be conferred Melaka's highest award, the Darjah Utama Negeri Melaka (DUNM) which carries the title 'Datuk Seri Utama' at a special investiture that will be held separately at a later date.

He told a press conference here Thursday that at that special investiture, Datin Seri Fadilah Abdullah, Melaka Wives of Elected Representatives' Charity and Welfare Organisation chairman who is also the wife of Melaka Chief Minister, will be conferred the Darjah Cemerlang Seri Melaka (DCSM) award. which carries the title 'Datuk Wira'.

He said International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Mustapa Mohamed and Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Wee Ka Siong will receive the Darjah Gemilang Seri Melaka (DGSM) which carries the title 'Datuk Seri' at tomorrow's investiture.

Naim said the other recipients of the DCSM are Federal Court Judge Tan Sri Ahmad Maarof; Royal Malaysian Air Force chief Tan Sri Roslan Saad; Tabung Haji chairman Datuk Seri Panglima Abdul Azeez Abdul Rahim; Home Ministry secretary-general Datuk Alwi Ibrahim;

Also the 3rd Infantry Division commander Major General Datuk Zamrose Mohd Zain; Melaka police chief Datuk Chuah Ghee Lye; Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission deputy chief commissioner (Prevention) Datuk Mustafar Ali; Perbadanan Stadium Melaka chairman Datuk Mohd Yusoff Mahadi; Media Prima chairman Datuk Fateh Iskandar Mohamed Mansor; and Linggi Base Sdn Bhd managing director Noormustafa Kamal Yahya.

Naim also said the recipients of the Darjah Mulia Seri Melaka (DMSM) which carries the title 'Datuk' are Johor Bahru High Court Judicial Commissioner Dr Sabirin Jaafar; Melaka Public Works, Public Utilities, Transport and Restoration Projects Committee deputy chairman Zaidi Atan; Melaka Education, Higher Education, Science and Technology, Green Technology and Innovation Committee deputy chairman Rawi Mahmud; Melaka Information, Economy, Investment and Industry Committee deputy chairman Sulaiman Md Ali; Melaka Health, Sports and Anti-Drug Committee deputy chairman Datuk Ng Choon Koon; Royal Malaysian Navy Human Resource assistant chief of staff Rear Admiral Datuk Anuwar Mad Said; JH Italia Sdn Bhd chairman Datuk Seri Wang Yen Liang and Bank Kerjasama Rakyat Malaysia Berhad board member Abdul Rahman Kassim.

He said Xinyi Glass Holdings Limited chairman and Manipal Education and Medical Group chief executive officer Ranjan Ramdas Pai will be conferred the honorary DMSM, which also carries the title 'Datuk'.

Eighty-five recipients will receive the Darjah Pangkuan Seri Melaka (DPSM) which also carries the title 'Datuk'. Among them are Melaka Syariah Court Chief Syarie Judge Mohd Radzi Abd Latif; Melaka MCA secretary Senator Koh Chin Han.

Also Melaka UMNO Youth chief Senator Zali Mat Yasin; Public Service Department deputy director-general Datuk Dr Ahmad Jailani Muhamed Yunus; Home Ministry corporate communications head Zukri Valentino Mohd Ali.

Melaka Chief Minister's Department deputy state secretary (development), Ismail Hamad; Royal Malaysian Navy Submarine Force commander Rear Admiral Abdul Rahman Ayob; Melaka Works Department director Khalid Omar; Kelantan deputy police chief SAC Ad Rashid Ab Wahab.

1Malaysia People's Housing chief financial officer Hasleen Isnin; Melaka Telekom Malaysia Berhad general manager Rozlan Mohamed; The Star Media Group chief editor Goh Lee Yen and Kumpulan Berita Harian deputy group editor Badrul Hisham Othman.

A total of 60 people will receive the Darjah Seri Melaka (DSM) award; 88 the Bintang Cemerlang Melaka (BCM); 111 the Bintang Khidmat Terpuji (BKT); 227 Pingat Jasa Kebaktian (PJK); 137 Pingat Bakti Masyarakat (PBM) and 27 the Pingat Khidmat Lama (PKL).

Naim said Mohd Khalil would confer the honours in three investiture sessions, with the first session Friday at Dewan Seri Negeri, the second session on Saturday and the third on Nov 14.

The first session will involve 35 recipients, the second session 373 and the third 350.

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