

Thailand's Nation-Building Institute honours Dr Mahathir with Lifetime Award

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BANGKOK, Nov 7 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad has been conferred the Nation-Building Lifetime Achievement Award (Public Sector) by Thailand's Nation-Building Institute (NBI).

Malaysian Housing and Local Government Minister Zuraida Kamaruddin received the award on behalf of the Prime Minister from former Thai Premier Anand Panyarachun during a gala dinner here tonight, held at the end of the Second International Conference on Nation-Building.

Dr Mahathir is currently in Japan for an official visit.

"I am honoured to receive this Lifetime Achievement Award: Public Sector on behalf of Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad," Zuraida said in her acceptance speech upon receiving the prestigious award.

The 93-year-old Prime Minister according to her, expressed his regret for not being able to accept the award personally .

However, Dr Mahathir, she said, conveyed his utmost gratitude for being conferred the award.

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