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PUTRAJAYA — Tun Abdul Ghafar Baba was posthumously conferred the Darjah Seri Utama Mahkota Wilayah (SUMW) award, which carries the Datuk Seri Utama title, yesterday in conjunction with Federal Territory Day.

Abdul Ghafar, who was the sixth deputy prime minister from May 10, 1986 to Oct 15, 1993, heads the list of 375 recipients of awards, honours and medals in conjunction with the celebration.

Another recipient of the award was former Public Service Department director-general Tan Sri Mohamad Zabidi Zainal.

Mohamad Zabidi held the post from March 15, 2013 to Dec 31 last year.

Nineteen people received the Darjah Seri Mahkota Wilayah (SMW) award, which carries the title "Datuk Seri" while 76 received the Panglima Mahkota Wilayah (PMW) award which carries the title "Datuk".

Thirty-two people were honoured with the Johan Mahkota Wilayah, 75 the Kesatria Mahkota Wilayah (KMW), 76 the Ahli Mahkota Wilayah and 95 the Pangkuan Mahkota Wilayah medals

National doubles pair Goh V Shen and Tan Wee Kiong, who clinched the silver medal at last year's Rio Olympics, as well as badminton coach, Jeremy Gan Wye Teck are among the KMW recipients.

Other recipients include Malaysian Cartoonists Club president Mohd Desa Omar and TV3 personality Azwaliza Azman.

Two Putrajaya-based photographers — Chai Wai Chuen of Sin Chew Media Corporation Bhd and Mohd Zaki Amiruddin from Utusan Melayu (M) Bhd — were among those who received the PPW.

Joining them was actress Datin Naszriah Ngasri, popularly known as Anne Ngasri, who is also Bukit Bintang Umno Puteri chief. — Bernama



Yang Di-Pertuan Agong Sultan Muhammad V presents the Darjah Seri Utama Mahkota Wilayah award to Ghafar's son Mohamad Tamrin during the investiture ceremony at Istana Negara yesterday. — Picture by Bernama

Among recipients of PMW award

- Women, Family and Community
 Development Ministry secretary-general Dr
 Rose Lena Lazemi
- Tourism and Culture Ministry deputy secretary-general (management) Dr Junaida Lee Abdullah
- Federal Territories Ministry deputy secretary-general (management and socioeconomic) Rosida Jaafar
- FT Ministry socio-economic development division secretary M. Noor Azman Taib
- Health Ministry Principal Director of Oral Health Dr Noor Aliyah Ismail
- Aset Kayamas general manager Lee Chan Kuen
- Badminton Association of Malaysia (BAM) honorary secretary Ng Chin Chai
- Assistant National Chief Scout Commissioner Zakran Abd Manan
- Labuan Umno vice-chief, Khalid A. Ghani
- FT Umno Youth chief Mohd Razlan Muhammad Rafil
- · Labuan MIC chief Ramasamy Rengasamy
- Penang MCA Youth chief Lee Beng Seng
- Makkal Osai Sdn Bhd managing director (MD) Sunther Subramaniam

Recipients of SMW award

- Minister In the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Abdul Rahman Dahlan
- Second Finance Minister Datuk Johari Abdul Ghani
- Prime Minister's Department deputy secretary-general (Cabinet) Datuk Mazidah Abdul Majid
- Defence Ministry secretary-general Datuk Seri Abdul Rahim Mohd Radzi
- International Trade and Industry Ministry secretary-general Datuk Jayasiri Jayasena
- Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry secretary-general Datuk Dr Mohd Azhar Yahaya.
- Lembaga Tabung Haji group managing director and chief executive officer Datuk Johan Abdullah
- Barisan Nasional Supreme Council executive secretary Datuk Abu Khamis
- Amanah Ikhtiar Malaysia Shariah Advisory Council chairman Datuk Abu Hassan Din Al-Hafiz
- CRSC Holdings Bhd chairman Datuk Low Wul Keong
- Malaysia Building Society Bhd president and CEO Datuk Ahmad Zaini Othman
- Al-Rajhi Banking and Investment Corporation (M) Bhd chairman Datuk Dr Nik Norzrul Thani N Hassan Thani.
- Prime Minister's Department communications adviser to the Prime Minister Datuk Seri Ahmad Farid Ridzuan
- Malaysian Punjabi Chambers of Commerce and Industries president Datuk Daljit Singh Gurudeb Singh
- Malaysia Makkal Sakti Party president Datuk R.S. Thanenthiran.
- PA Resources Sdn Bhd Independent non-executive chairman Datuk Lau Kuan Kam
- Datuk Chiau Beng Teik of Midas Property Sdn Bhd
- Wangsa Maju Umno chief Datuk Mohd Shafei Abdullah
- Bukit Bendera Umno chief Datuk Ahmad Ismail.