

# Merdeka award honour

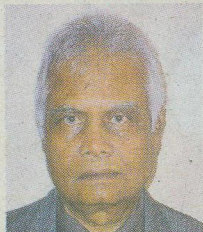
> **Cartoonist Lat among six selected for outstanding contribution in their respective fields**

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** Renowned local cartoonist Datuk Mohd Nor Khalid, or Lat, was among six individuals who were awarded the 2014 Merdeka Award yesterday for



Lat



Mohd Khan



Ahmad Fauzi



Abdul Latif



Gathrone



Choo

their outstanding and lasting contributions in their respective fields to the nation and its people.

Lat was awarded in the Education and Community category by the Merdeka Award Trust patron Sultan of Perak Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah for his contribution to the promotion and pluralism of Malaysia's cultural identity through the use of cartoons as well as promoting the understanding and respect among Malaysia's diverse ethnic communities.

The other award recipients were Mohd Khan Momin Khan (Environment), Datuk Dr Choo Yuen May (Health, Science and

Technology), Datuk Seri Gathrone Earl of Cranbrook (Outstanding Contribution to the People of Malaysia) and Professor Dr Abdul Latif Ahmad and Professor Dr Ahmad Fauzi Ismail (Joint Recipients of Outstanding Scholastic Achievement).

The six recipients were selected through an extensive and stringent process. They stood above the rest as the most worthy candidates who embody the true spirit of Merdeka and the pursuit of excellence.

In addition to the honour and cash award, the recipients join the list of 22 individuals and two organisations to be recognised as having a lasting impact in the development of the nation.