Maybank Group head of global banking Datuk Amirul Feisal Wan Zahir (right) and Iclif CEO Rajeev Peshawaria (left) presenting the Iclif awards to Teach For Malaysia's co-founders Dzameer Dzulkefli (second from left) and Keeran Sivarajah in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. Pic by Muhd Asyraf Sawal

Iclif awards go to 4 inspiring leaders

KUALA LUMPUR: Four inspiring people were conferred the Iclif Leadership and Governance Centre's Leadership Energy Award, presented by Mayalan Banking Bhd.

They were Teach For Malaysia's co-founders Dzameer Dzulkefli and Keeran Sivarajah; Epic Homes/Epic Collaborative chair executive officer John Son Oei; and creator of dyslexic learning software Associate Professor Dr Vijayalechumy Subramaniam.

"Our four winners exemplify champions who have and sustained the selfless will to create a better future for others," said Mayalan's Group head of global banking Datuk Amirul Feisal Wan Zahir.

Iclif is an Asia-based international centre dedicated to executive education, research, coaching and advisory services in the areas of leadership development and corporate governance. This year features the inaugural Iclif Leadership and Governance Centre's Leadership Energy Award with Media Prima Bhd as the media partner.

Iclif was funded by Bank Negara Malaysia in 2003 as an independent non-profit organisation to provide practical and relevant executive development and advisory services across all industry and government sectors.

"We are grateful to all who have submitted inspiring leadership energy stories for the awards," said Iclif chief executive officer Rajeev Peshawaria, adding that the energy is made up of clarity of purpose and clarity of values.

Founded in 2009, Teach For Malaysia is a not-for-profit organisation with a mission to end education inequity in Malaysia.

Epic Homes is also a non-profit initiative to provide sustainable homes for underprivileged communities, starting with every Orang Asli in Malaysia. It is on a mission to develop communities for more than 12,000 Orang Asli families across Peninsular Malaysia.

Meanwhile, Dr Vijayalechumy from Universiti Putra Malaysia was recognised for her award-winning Neolexic software, which is designed to help children with visual dyslexia and learning disability, as well as help pre-schoolers to learn to pronounce, spell and read Bahasa Malaysia effectively within six months.