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## **Fight erupts over dowry payment** Groom was short by RM5,000

THE wedding of a security guard turned into a ruckus when he was punched by a member of the bride's family.

*Kosmo!* quoting a source said the man was not allowed to proceed with the ceremony at a mosque in Kuala Lumpur on Sunday because he allegedly did not have the amount for the dowry, which had earlier been agreed at RM15,000.

It was learnt that the groom earned only RM1,500 a month.

The source said the groom had already paid RM10,000 in instalments but the bride's side did not want the marriage to proceed till the remaining RM5,000 was paid.

The situation turned chaotic when the two families began cursing each other and a scuffle broke out.

Apparently, the imam of the mosque eventually coaxed the bride's family to talk it over.

> A final year engineering student earns RM5,000 a month selling *cendol*, *Harian Metro* reported.

Muhd Faris Jaafar, 23, who is studying at

Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), started selling what he calls *Serdang cendol* at a small stall in front of the Malay Heritage Museum at the university.

After two years of running the business, Faris's venture has expanded to four stalls within UPM.

His stalls attract a steady flow of customers from 11am to 5pm.

Faris acknowledged that it was tough to find time for his studies and business.

"But that will not deter me from fulfilling my responsibility as a student and to fulfil my dream of getting a degree," said Faris.

> A couple lost their youngest child when he drowned in a pail on Friday night, *Sinar Harian* reported.

Kuala Kangsar OCPD ACP Ahmad Termizi Haq said that 15-month-old Adam Hakimi was found inside the pail of water in the bathroom.

"Initial investigations found that the boy went to the bathroom by himself while everyone was sleeping," he said.