

Taylor's debate team credits strong bond for win

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GOMBAK: Taylor's University created history when its A Team won the Great Royal Gender Debate 2016 for the English Language Category yesterday.

International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM) won the Malay Language Category, repeating its success two years ago.

Taylor's Team A, represented by Mahherrajan Narayanan and Amrit Agastia, beat Taylor's University Team B, IIUM's Team A and Asia Pacific University.

IIUM's Team A, which was represented by Nur Anisatul Ashikin Abd Rauf and Muhamad Sharulnizam Md Roni, defeated Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia's Team B, Universiti Putra Malaysia's Team B and Universiti Sains Malaysia's Team A.

The winning teams took home RM3,500, trophies and certificates.

Amrit and Nur Anisatul Ashikin received RM600 and a trophy each after being crowned best debaters in their categories.

The prizes were presented by the Deputy Women, Family and Community Development Minister Datuk Azizah Mohd Dun, who also officially closed the debate competition at IIUM.

Present were IIUM Deputy Rector (Student Affairs) and Malaysian Universities Debate Council chairman Datuk Dr Mizan Hitam and NAM Institute for the Empowerment of Women director Normalia Ibrahim.

Amrit said her team trained together frequently, thus strengthening their bond with Mahherrajan, who was her coach in debating.



Taylor's University Team A, represented by Amrit Agastia (left) and Mahherrajan Narayanan, won the Great Royal Gender Debate 2016 for the English Language Category at Universiti Islam Antarabangsa Malaysia yesterday. Pic by Nurul Syazana Rose