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Nominations Open For *Arif Budiman* Malay Language Teachers' Award 2017

Nominations are open for the *Arif Budiman* Malay Language Teachers' Award (AGAB). Inaugurated in 2007, this is an annual award to recognise Malay language teachers in primary, secondary schools, centralised institute and junior colleges who have made significant contributions to the teaching and learning of Malay language.

2. Nominees will be evaluated based on their ability to instil a love for knowledge, skills and interest in the learning of the Malay language, literature and culture among students. Their dedication and commitment in the teaching and learning of the Malay language in the classrooms and beyond, as well as their care and concern towards the needs and well-being of their students, will also be considered. Nominees should demonstrate the values of '*Arif Budiman*' – a learned person who contributes to society – through excellent and exemplary service as an educator.

3. The award, which is in its 11th year, has recognised a total of 45 primary, secondary and pre-university Malay Language teachers. There will be two award categories: 'Primary School' and 'Secondary School & Pre-university'. Four awards will be given out in total.

4. Nominations will open from **10 February 2017** to **7 April 2017**. Students, educators, parents, and members of the public are invited to nominate suitable candidates using the official nomination form which will be disseminated to all Singapore schools. The nomination forms may also be downloaded from:

- www.mbms.sg
- www.mllpc.sg
- www.beritaharian.sg

5. Alternatively, nominations may be made online at <http://tinyurl.com/AGAB2017-nomination>. More information can also be obtained by e-mailing MOE_MLLPC_Secretariat@moe.gov.sg.

6. AGAB 2017 is jointly organised by the Malay Language Council, Singapore, Malay Language Teachers Association, Berita Harian and the Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee.

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