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Tengku Maimun, Chief Secretary and Defence Forces chief to get PMN award

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PETALING JAYA: Chief Justice Datuk Tengku Maimun Tuan Mat heads the honours list in conjunction with Yang di-Pertuan Agong Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah's official birthday today.

The country's first female CJ will receive the Panglima Mangku Negara (PMN) which carries the title Tan Sri.

The other two receiving the PMN are Chief Secretary to the Government Datuk Seri Dr Ismail Bakar and Chief of Defence Forces Jen Tan Sri Zulkifli Zainal Abidin.

Dewan Rakyat Speaker Datuk Mohamad Ariff Md Yusof, Chief Judge of Sabah and Sarawak Datuk Seri David Wong Dak Wah, Attorney General Tommy Thomas, Home Ministry secretary-general Datuk Seri Alwi Ibrahim, Inspector General of Police Datuk Seri Abdul Hamid Bador and Principal Private Secretary to the Prime Minister Datuk Badariah Arshad are among 15 who will receive the Panglima



To be conferred: (From left) Tengku Maimun, Ismail, Thomas, Abdul Hamid, Chuah and Soh.

Setia Mahkota (PSM) which also carries the title Tan Sri.

Also receiving the PSM are Treasury secretary-general Datuk Ahmad Badri Mohd Zahir, Federation of Malaysian Manufacturers (FMM) president Datuk Soh Thian Lai and former president and CEO of Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman Prof Datuk Chuah Hean Teik.

Public Service Department director-general Datuk Seri Borhan Dolah, who retired yesterday, will also receive the PSM.

Qatari Attorney General Dr Ali Mehsin Fetais will receive an honorary PSM.

According to a list released by the Information Department yesterday, 21 others will receive the Panglima Jasa Negara (PJN) which carries the title Datuk.

Among the notable names are Election Commission chairman Azhar Azizan Harun, Forest Research Institute of Malaysia director-general Datuk Abdul Latif Mohmod and Football Association of Malaysia

president Datuk Hamidin Mohd Amin.

Three others will receive the Panglima Setia Diraja (PSD) which carries the title Datuk. They include Datuk Paduka Maharaja Lela (Grand Chamberlain) Azuan Effendy Zairakithnaini.

In his royal address last night, the King called on Malaysians to stand tall as a people transcending all differences to create lasting unity and togetherness.

The King said to create such an

atmosphere, the people and leaders at all levels should not just do nothing and yet dream of achieving success.

Sultan Abdullah said concerted efforts should be taken to break down elements that would hinder unity.

"The fact is that it is not an easy task to manage the divisions and differences that exist in a country," His Majesty said.

"This is due to the fact that every single thing will tend to be viewed and interpreted from different angles."

He said ever since taking his oath as the 16th Yang di-Pertuan Agong on Jan 31, he had travelled to every corner of the country to stay close to all Malaysians regardless of differences.

"Through this approach, I learn that every single Malaysian has a role in contributing to the development of a sovereign and independent nation.

"In fact, the most important thing I learn is that every Malaysian truly loves this blessed country," the King added.