

PRESS RELEASE

25 February 2019
FOR IMMEDIATE REPORTING

Nominations Open for *Arif Budiman* Malay Language Teachers' Award 2019

Students, educators, parents and members of the public are invited to nominate outstanding Malay Language teachers for the *Arif Budiman* Malay Language Teachers' Award (AGAB). The award aims to recognise Malay Language teachers in primary and secondary schools, junior colleges and Millennia Institute who have made significant contributions to the teaching and learning of the Malay Language.

2. Since its inauguration in 2007, AGAB has recognised a total of 55 primary, secondary and pre-university Malay Language teachers. There will be a total of four awards given out in the following two categories:

- i. Primary School and;
- ii. Secondary School & Pre-university.

3. Nominees will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- a. Ability to raise the knowledge, skills and interest in the learning of the Malay language, Malay literature and Malay culture;
- b. Dedication and commitment to the pursuit of excellence in the teaching and learning of the Malay Language in the classrooms and beyond;
- c. Care and concern for the well-being and needs of the students; and
- d. Display of the values of '*Arif*' and '*Budiman*' (*Arif Budiman* refers to a learned person who contributes to society) through excellent and exemplary service as an educator.

4. Nominations open on **25 February** and will close on **11 April 2019**. The official nomination form, which will be distributed to all Singapore schools, can also be downloaded from:

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

Alternatively, nominations can be made online via <https://tinyurl.com/AGAB-2019>.

5. AGAB 2019 is jointly organised by the Malay Language Council, Singapore (MBMS), Malay Language Teachers Association (PGBM), Berita Harian (BH) and the

Malay Language Learning and Promotion Committee (MLLPC). The AGAB 2019 recipients will be announced in November this year.

6. For more information, please email AGAB 2019 Organising Committee at MOE_MLLPC_Secretariat@moe.gov.sg.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION