AL-MAJALLAH WON NATIONAL BOOK AWARD 2015

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A book about Islamic financial institute written the late Prof Dr Abd Jalil Borham won the best general book under the law category of the National Book Award 2015.

The book, Al-Majallah: Panduan Syariah Institusi Kewangan Islam (Al-Majallah: Islamic Financial Institute Syariah Guideline), which was full of substance, informative and has a structured style of writing deserved the win.

It is about regulations and laws of syariah-compliant Islamic financial institutions.

It is also the last book written by the late Prof Dr Abd Jalil.

The publisher director Associate Prof Dr Mohd Ghani Awang said the book was developed from the Panduan Syarak (Syarak Guidelines) of the Bank Pembangunan Malaysia Berhad (BPMP) Syariah Committee and Johor Ahkam Magazine: Johor State Government Islam Civil Law Code 1331H/1913M.

He added that the two documents had been preserved and well-kept by the late Prof Dr Abd Jalil.

"The book is an effort by Allahyarham to make reading easy and simple to understand by detailing the contents contained in the Majallah al-Ahkam-al `Adliyyah, written during the Othmaniyyah era.

"Allahyarham had romanised all the contents from the Majallah which was written in Jawi and created sub-topics for every single volume so readers can understand the subject matter," he said.

Prof Dr Mohd Ghani added that the book was suitable to be used as a research and reference text for researchers, students, Islamic banking institutes, Security Commission and takaful.

He said the win was also a showcase of the capability of local lecturers in producing quality books and those that were beneficial to the general public.