AsarFonts is a technology-based product that is able to bring back the glory era of Jawi writing to the present day. In line with this aspiration, an official launching of the product was held on October 18, 2012, in conjunction with the National-Level Jawi and Technology Seminar 2012 organised by Center of Modern Language and Human Sciences, Universiti Malaysia Pahang.

The event was held at Astaka Hall, UMP and officially launched by State Islamic Dakwah, Unity and Non-Governmental Organisation Committee chairman Datuk Haji Mohamad Shafri Abdul Aziz, who represented Pahang Mentri Besar Dato’ Seri Diraja Haji Adnan Haji Yaakob.

In his speech, he said he was proud with the achievement of UMP lecturers who had successfully developed the software. With the product, he hoped Jawi writing could be preserved and remained relevant all time.

To date, sales of AsarFonts products have increased from time to time. This shows that Jawi writing is still favoured, requiring some form of reformation to ensure that this Malay heritage is preserved and AsarFonts is the answer.

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