



*Maulidur Rasul Perdana award recipients (seated from left) Datin Rusmiati Harun, Tan Sri Abdul Kader Talip, Dr Mohd Daud Abu Bakar and Datuk Hamza Taib. Standing from left are student activist Ahmad Ammar's father, Ahmad Azam Abd Rahman, Datuk Zainal Abidin Abdul Karim, Datuk Faiza Tamby Chik and Mohd Azimi Kassim. Pic by Fariz Iswadi Ismail*

# BNM Syariah adviser honoured

**PUTRAJAYA:** Bank Negara Syariah Advisory Council chairman Dr Mohd Daud Abu Bakar was named this year's Maulidur Rasul Perdana award recipient for his contributions to Islamic finance at home and abroad.

Daud, 50, was among eight recipients conferred the awards by Yang di-Pertuan Agong Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah at the Putra Mosque here yesterday.

Other recipients were former High Court judge Datuk Faiza Tamby Chik, who is also the National Islamic Science University of Malaysia (USIM) fellow, Sabah police chief Datuk Hamza Taib, former Federal Territory mufti Tan Sri Abdul Kader Talip, former Malaysian ambassador

to Egypt Datuk Zainal Abidin Abdul Kadir, National Fatwa Council adviser Professor Datuk Zakaria Stapa, religious teacher Datin Rusmiati Harun and radio presenter Azimi Mohd Kassim.

Student activist Ahmad Ammar Ahmad Azam, who died in a road accident in Turkey last November, was named one of the recipients. His father, Ahmad Azam Abd Rahman, picked the award on Ammar's behalf.

Daud received RM50,000, a certificate and a plaque, while the other recipients received RM20,000 each.

Daud, who is also founder of finance company Amanie Advisors Sdn Bhd, said the award would spur him to continue promoting Islamic finance.