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GOH CHOK TONG YOUTH PROMISE AWARD 2016 HONOURS ITS FIRST-EVER PHD RECIPIENT

For the first time ever, the Goh Chok Tong Youth Promise Award (GCTYPA) is proud to confer its Distinction Award to a Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD) student. **Muhammad Noramin Mohamed Farid, a PhD student in Drama & Theatre Studies will be receiving this prestigious GCTYPA Distinction award on 23 September 2016 together with 10 other recipients this year, the highest number of recipients since its introduction in 2005.**

Held at the National Gallery Singapore, this year's ceremony will also showcase **artistic pieces by GCTYPA recipients in various mediums.** These include **niche pieces like Chinese calligraphy and a photographic exploration of a spiritual journey.**

The talented youths will be receiving their awards from **Minister for Communications and Information, Minister-In-Charge of Cyber Security and Minister-In-Charge of Muslim Affairs, Dr Yaacob Ibrahim.**

We cordially invite your reporters, cameramen and photographers to lend coverage and capture the momentous occasion in celebrating our aspiring craftsmen. There will be photo opportunities of Dr Yaacob Ibrahim and the talented recipients as well as interviews. Details of the ceremony are as follows:

Day/Date: Friday, 23 September 2016

Time: 7.00pm to 10.00pm

Venue: Auditorium, City Hall Wing, Basement 1

National Gallery Singapore (1 St. Andrew's Road, Singapore 178957)

A detailed programme is also attached in **ANNEX A** for your reference.

Goh Chok Youth Promise Award Presentation Ceremony 2016

Friday, 23 September 2016
7.00pm – 10.00pm
Auditorium, City Hall Wing, Basement 1
National Gallery Singapore

Time	Programme
7.00pm	Arrival of Guests*
8.00pm	Arrival of Minister Dr Yaacob Ibrahim <i>Minister for Communications and Information, Minister-In-Charge of Cyber Security and Minister-In-Charge of Muslim Affairs</i>
Opening Performance	
Presentation of Awards	
8.45pm	Valedictorian Speech by Muhammad Noramin Mohamed Farid <i>PhD in Drama & Theatre Studies</i> <i>Royal Holloway, University of London</i>
Closing Performance	
9.00pm	Gallery Tour <i>Artworks by Goh Chok Tong Youth Promise Award 2016 Recipients</i>
9.45pm	Doorstop Interview with Dr Yaacob Ibrahim
10.00pm	End of Ceremony

**Note: Prayer Area will be prepared for Muslims*