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theSun wishes all our readers a happy Merdeka Day. There will be no publication tomorrow. We will be back on Monday. Visit thesundaily.my for the latest news.

JJ's mum seeks share of RM2.1b

KUALA LUMPUR: The mother of the late Tan Sri Jamaluddin Jarjis (pix) has submitted an application to the Syariah High Court to claim a share of his property under Islamic law.

The former Rompin MP, who was fondly known as JJ, was killed in a helicopter crash in Kampung Pasir Baru near Semenyih in Selangor on April 4, 2015.

Aminah Abdullah, 85, applied for an Islamic wealth distribution (faaraid) certificate yesterday for properties that include several houses, parcels of land and companies in Malaysia, Mecca and the United States, all valued at more than RM2.1 billion.

Under Syariah law, the mother is entitled to one-sixth of the deceased's estate, while the wife gets one-eighth and the remainder is shared among the children.

During case management yesterday, Aminah's lawyer Kamar Ainiyah Kamaruzaman said Jamaluddin's widow and children, who were not present in court, have been informed of the matter, adding that they have applied to be interveners.

In her affidavit, Aminah said Jamaluddin was survived by herself, his wife Puan Sri Kalsom Ismail, son Ikwan Hafiz and three daughters, Nur Anis, Nurul Alyaa and Noor Adilla.

The next case management has been set on Sept 13.



BEST FOOT FORWARD

... Part of the contingent from government-linked companies and the private sector at a full-dress rehearsal yesterday in Dataran Putrajaya for the Merdeka Day parade tomorrow.

Better representation



First-past-the-post system to be reviewed



EC to take over duty of regulating political parties from RoS

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KUALA LUMPUR: The country may finally see free, fair and transparent elections if the government adopts the recommendations of the Electoral Reform Committee (ERC) once it completes its study.

ERC chairman Tan Sri Abdul Rashid

Abdul Rahman said yesterday the Election Commission (EC) will have to be revamped and laws amended to allow the commission to conduct more credible elections.

The ERC is likely to recommend the "first-past-the-post" (FPTP) system be replaced with a "fairer" proportional representation (PR) system.

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