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For immediate release:

NST emerges as Allianz Media Badminton 2025 champion for the third time

Petaling Jaya, 18 July 2025 – New Straits Times gained sweet revenge over defending champions Astro with a 2-1 win to emerge as champions for the 5th Allianz Media Badminton 2025 tournament held at TT Sports Centre here yesterday.

It was their third Allianz Media Badminton title and by far, the leading media team with the most number of wins since the tournament was inaugurated in 2019. Third place went to Sin Chew Daily while the Plate title went to Bernama.

The fifth Allianz Media Badminton tournament featured 11 teams, including the Allianz Malaysia team. Astro Arena and Sin Chew Daily were the two newest additions making their debut this year. The tournament was played in a round-robin format, featuring two Men's Doubles categories and one Mixed Doubles category.

"This is our fifth Allianz Media Badminton tournament, and it is always a time I truly look forward to as it is a chance for us to engage with our media friends outside of work. Congratulations to all winners today and I look forward to seeing you again next year," said Sean Wang, Chief Executive Officer of Allianz Malaysia Berhad who is also Allianz badminton team captain.

Results:

Champion – New Straits Times

Runner-up – Astro

Third – Sin Chew Daily

Fourth – China Press

Plate Champion – Bernama

Plate Runner-up – Media Karangkrak

Consolation – Malaysiakini; Astro Arena; Harian Metro; The Star and Media Mulia

Allianz Media Badminton Roll of Honour:

2019 – New Straits Times

2020 – No tournament due to MCO

2021 – No tournament due to MCO

2022 – Astro

2023 – New Straits Times

2024 – Astro

2025 – New Straits Times

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** As of March 31, 2025.

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