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Proton e.MAS 7 PHEV, e.MAS 5 triumph at DSF.my-Allianz VOTY Awards

Kuala Lumpur, 16 April 2026 – The Proton e.MAS 7 PHEV and Proton e.MAS 5 were crowned Vehicle of the Year 2026 and Electric Vehicle of the Year 2026 respectively at the DSF.my-Allianz Vehicle of the Year (VOTY) Awards 2026, held at The Saujana Hotel Kuala Lumpur here yesterday.

This year's edition of the VOTY Awards celebrated outstanding achievements across 23 vehicle segments, including dedicated categories for electric vehicles (EVs) amid continued strong interest for EVs in the local market.

The event garnered strong interest with participation from 33 car brands, underscoring the significance of innovation and excellence in the automotive industry.

Proton was the night's biggest winners, bagging both main awards - Vehicle of the Year 2026 and Electric Vehicle of the Year 2026. Proton e.MAS 7 PHEV took home the Vehicle of the Year 2026 award while the Proton e.MAS 5 was crowned Electric Vehicle of the Year 2026.

"I was quite surprised and delighted at the same time to win all these awards. This is a first for us and I would like to thank Allianz Malaysia and DSF for this award recognition. What made this award victory special is the also is the support we got from our customers who paced their faith in us," said Lampard Peng Yile, Head of Department, User Development and User Operation, Proton New Energy Technology Sdn Bhd.

Other winners of the night included the Mitsubishi XForce as Crossover Of The Year, the Chery Tiggo Cross Hybrid as Compact SUV Of The Year and the Zeekr 7X AWD Performance as Electric SUV Of The Year.

"Heartfelt congratulations to all the winners of the VOTY Awards 2026. At Allianz Malaysia, we are deeply committed to supporting innovation and progress in the automotive industry, as it aligns with our mission to protect and empower our customers on every journey they take. I am personally

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inspired to see how these vehicles are shaping the future of mobility, and proud that Allianz Malaysia continues to be part of this meaningful celebration of excellence,” said Allianz Malaysia Chief Executive Officer, Sean Wang.

Hosted by Malaysian automotive platform www.dsf.my in collaboration with Allianz General Insurance Company (Malaysia) Berhad since 2017, the VOTY Awards is Malaysia's premier automotive awards ceremony, honouring groundbreaking automotive achievements and the exceptional industry leaders behind them.

Winners of the VOTY Awards are chosen in a rigorous selection process based on criteria evaluated by the editorial team at DSF.my. Each vehicle is assessed comprehensively across key parameters including innovation, design, performance, comfort and technological advancements.

DSF.my-Allianz Vehicle of the Year Awards 2026 Winners' List

Vehicle Of The Year 2026 – **Proton e.MAS 7 PHEV**
Crossover Of The Year – **Mitsubishi XForce**
Sedan Of The Year – **Proton S70**
Premium Crossover Of The Year – **Jaecoo J5**
Family Vehicle Of The Year – **Chery Tiggo 8 PHEV**
SUV Of The Year – **Jetour T2**
Compact SUV Of The Year – **Chery Tiggo Cross Hybrid**
Luxury Sedan Of The Year – **Alfa Romeo Giulia Veloce**
Exterior Design Of The Year – **Hyundai Santa Fe**
Cabin Design Of The Year – **iCAUR V23**
Pickup Truck Of The Year – **Ford Ranger Wildtrak V6 3.0L Diesel**
MPV Of The Year – **Nissan Serena ePOWER**
Electric Compact Vehicle Of The Year 2025 – **Proton e.MAS 5**
Electric Crossover Of The Year – **BYD Atto2**
Electric SUV Of The Year – **Zeekr 7X AWD Performance**
Electric Performance Crossover Of The Year – **smart#5 BRABUS**
Luxury PHEV SUV Of The Year – **Mazda CX80 PHEV**
Luxury PHEV MPV Of The Year – **GWM WEY G9 Hi4**
Electric Sedan Of The Year – **BYD Seal 6**
Hot Hatchback Of The Year – **Volkswagen Golf GTI Mk8.5**
Supercar Of The Year – **Porsche 911 Carrera 4 GTS Hybrid**
Automotive Lady of 2026 – **Adeline Lew Managing Director of BYD Sime Motors**

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Automotive Gentleman of 2026 – **Michael Chew, Vice President of Chery Auto Malaysia**
Allianz General Insurance Company (Malaysia) Berhad - **2025 Malaysia's No.1 Car Insurer**
Vehicle Transfer Provider Of The Year – **Starttrek Carriers Sdn. Bhd.**

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