Mohammad recounts Zayed’s vision for UAE’s development

VICE-PRESIDENT HONOURED AS CULTURAL PERSONALITY OF THE YEAR AT ZAYED BOOK AWARD

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His Highness Sheikh Mohammad bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, was honoured with the Cultural Personality of the Year Award at the Zayed Book Award Ceremony in Abu Dhabi yesterday.

The award ceremony was the culmination of a week-long event that saw the presentation of the Zayed Book Award to 20 winners from 18 countries, in the presence of the emir of Abu Dhabi.

His Highness Sheikh Mohammad bin Rashid Al Maktoum was presented with the award in recognition of his work and initiatives to promote culture, as well as his numerous social initiatives.

His Highness Sheikha Mo- hammed’s contributions to the arts, culture, and education have been widely recognized, both in the UAE and internationally.

In his acceptance speech, Sheikh Mohammad bin Rashid said: “The honor that I received today is not only for me, but for all of us. It is a recognition of the efforts of our nation to promote culture and education.”

He added: “The Zayed Book Award is a symbol of the UAE’s commitment to promoting culture and education. It is a testament to the vision and leadership of Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, our founder and father.”

The award ceremony was held at the Emirates Palace Hotel in Abu Dhabi, where the emir of Abu Dhabi, Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, presided over the event.

The Zayed Book Award was established in 2008 to honor the contributions of individuals and institutions to the advancement of culture and education in the Arab world.

The award ceremony was attended by a number of dignitaries, including the emir of Sharjah, Sheikh Sultan bin Muhammad Al Qasimi, and the emir of Dubai, Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum.

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