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Norashikin known for her friendliness and humility

PETALING JAYA: Television personality Norashikin Abdul Rahman (*pic*), who married the Sultan of Selangor, is known for her friendliness and humility.

Friends and colleagues in the media are very happy for the royal couple and wish them both happiness.

Former colleague Mohd Ishahrulddin Md Tahir, 30, said he had known her since 2009, when he started as an intern in RTM.

"I have seen her presenting news on television since I was young. When I met her for the first time, I was taken by her warmth. She is so friendly despite being a senior," he said when contacted yesterday.

Ishahrulddin said Norashikin was professional at work and would share information with all the staff, including those doing the ground work.

"She taught me a lot when I was at RTM. I am so happy for her and I wish her all the best," he said.

Ishahrulddin said despite Norashikin's petite figure, she was very fit and enjoyed hiking, with the recent one on Mount Bromo, East Java, Indonesia.

"If we look at her, maybe people do not know that she is into sports as recently we went hiking on Mount Bromo together.

A senior editor in RTM, who declined to be named, said that she just met Norashikin last month when she came to the studio.

"She is soft spoken. Our team knows that she is friendly and mingles easily.

"People will always notice how nice her smile is," she said.



Another colleague, who did not want to be identified, said she had learned a lot from Norashikin.

"The first word that comes to mind when describing her is helpful. If you need any assistance, you can just approach her.

"She will guide and teach you. I will always remember this about her," he said.



Royal union: Sultan Sharafuddin with Norashikin at Istana Alam Shah soon after the marriage ceremony.

Sultan marries TV personality

Ruler weds newsreader in palace

PETALING JAYA: Selangor Ruler Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah has married television personality Norashikin Abdul Rahman.

Selangor mufti Datuk Mohd Tamyas Abd Wahid performed the royal solemnisation ceremony at Masjid Istana Diraja in Istana Alam Shah, Klang, said the Sultan's private secretary Datuk Mohamed Munir Bani in a statement yesterday.

The simple ceremony on Aug 31 was witnessed by Selangor deputy mufti Dr Anhar Opir, Imam Mohd Rasid Mahful and former Selangor deputy mufti Datuk Abdul Majid Omar.

State Islamic Religious Council (Mais) member Datuk Salehuddin Saidin and close family members from both sides were also present.

As requested by Tuanku, the ceremony was a modest affair.

Sultan Sharafuddin was born at Istana

Jema'ah Klang (now Sultan Alam Shah Islamic College) on Dec 24, 1945.

He married Raja Zarina Raja Tan Sri Zainal in 1968. They divorced in 1986.

The Sultan then married Puan Nur Lisa Abdullah, an American, and they divorced in 1997. The Selangor Ruler has two daughters, Tengku Zerafina and Tengku Zatashah, from his first marriage.

The Raja Muda of Selangor Tengku Amir Shah is from his second marriage.

Norashikin, 45, from Kuala Lumpur, is the youngest of three siblings.

Known for her TV work, Norashikin clinched the Best TV News Presenter title at the Seri Angkasa Awards in 2005.

Norashikin, a former Malaysia Airlines stewardess, was married to Mustapha Kamal Halim, a pilot at Etihad Airlines. They have two children, Nur Amanda, 17 and Adam Salleh, 14.