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Title: Six food outlets in M'sia make it into World Street Food Top 50, one in Top 10

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PETALING JAYA: Six outlets in Malaysia have made it to the World Street Food Top 50, and one is listed in the Top 10.

At the World Street Food Congress 2017, which was held from May 31 to June 4, Nasi Kandar Line Clear from Penang was chosen as the No. 9 street food vendor in the world.

The congress wrapped up its five-day event in Manila by recognising 50 "street food masters" across the globe.

Other Malaysian street food vendors recognised by the congress are Siam St Cha Kway Teow, Penang (14th) Fauzi Nasi Kerabu, Terengganu (23rd); Nonya Mee Siam Donald & Lily, Malacca (34th); Guan Heong Biscuit Shop, Ipoh (36th); and Jalan Kuli Satay, Malacca (43rd).

In selecting Line Clear, the congress said: "It is arguably the most famous Nasi Kandar stall in Malaysia.

"They occupy a side lane, not even a stall, with its selection of masala fried chicken, fish head curry, lamb, sambal prawns, eggs, spicy greens, etc, all lined up along the wall in stainless steel pans, you devour them with rice. Turnover is very high and it is very loud and friendly, as are the customers."

Topping the list is Singapore's Hill Street Tai Wah Bak Chor Mee, one of the first hawkers to obtain a Michelin star. The stall is known for its sambal and black vinegar-laced pork noodles, which is described as "the stuff addiction is made of".

The rest of the entries came from the United States, Thailand, China, Mexico, Malaysia, Vietnam, Taiwan and India.

According to the official website of the World Street Food Congress 2017, vendors were judged by a panel of travel writers, journalists, TV hosts and food connoisseurs who evaluated each vendor according to hygiene level, ingredients used, food preparation, food quality and ultimately, the taste.

The list also featured delicacies from countries such as China, India, Indonesia, Mexico, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and the US. It can be viewed here <http://wsfcongress.com/award-2017-winners/>