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**UMP proudly produces 2,773 graduates in its 13th C**

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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) will celebrate the graduation of 2,773 of its students in its 13th convocation on November 10 and 11 at UMP Gambang Campus Sports Complex.

His Royal Highness the Regent of Pahang and UMP Chancellor Tengku Abdullah Al-Haj Ibni Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah will preside over the ceremony and present the scrolls and excellent achievement awards in the first session.

There are 63 Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) graduates, 172 Masters' degree graduates, 1,713 Bachelor's degree graduates, 270 Diploma graduates, 221 Executive Masters' degree graduates, 52 Executive Bachelor degree graduates from nine faculties and two education centres.

The graduates are from Faculty of Civil & Natural Resources Engineering (264), Faculty of Electrical & Electronic Engineering (299), Faculty of Mechanical Engineering (307), Faculty of Chemical & Natural Resources Engineering (299), Faculty of Manufacturing Engineering (136), Faculty of Industrial Sciences & Technology (144), Faculty of Engineering Technology (191), UMP Advanced Education (515) and Institute of Postgraduate Studies (20).

The 40 dual degree graduates are those to be presented with Bachelor's (Honours) in Mechatronic and Automotive Engineering. It is a joint programme between UMP and Karlsruhe University of Applied Sciences.

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UMP will also see the first batch of Bachelor's Degree in Business Engineering graduates who complete their studies between UMP and Reutlingen University.

A total of 28 graduates will receive the university's excellence awards and industry's prizes. There will be the UMP Excellence Award, Soho Niaga Excellence Award and Setegap Ventures Excellence Award.

According to UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim, the university would like to honor Dr. Hari Narayanan P Ondiveera (Electronic) to former General Manager of Motorola Solutions Sdn. Bhd, Dr. Hari Narayanan P Ondiveera for his character, credibility and leadership.

"The university deeply appreciates the many inputs and ideas contributed during his tenure as the Head of Faculty of Engineering and Electronic (FKEE) and his substantial role in the [CEO@Faculty](#) programme implemented last year.

Dr. Hari Narayanan has also made considerable contribution in the wakaf and educational endowment initiative and showed great commitment in the teaching of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

Dr. Hari has also received numerous awards such as The Best CEO Award, The Most Outstanding CEO Award and The Most Outstanding Faculty Member Award.

## **Culture and Arts Activities add excitement to UMP Commencement**

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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) organised a culture and arts event, '*Santai Seni Warisan*', that simply and was held in conjunction with the university's 13th Convocation Ceremony scheduled on November 10 at the UMP Complex.

The event was jointly organised by Department of Student Affairs and Alumni and UMP Sports and Cultural Centre. It was held for the first time at Pekan River Front in Pekan, attracting huge crowds including families of graduates.

Apart from enjoying the many cultural song and dance performances- performed by UMP students themselves- taking part in a zumba session, members of the public also got to know more about UMP especially its academic achievements. The younger children also got to participate in a drawing competition.

The event was officially launched by UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim. Other officials present included Officer and Registrar, Abd Hamid Majid, Department of Pahang Cultural and Arts Deputy Director, Norazlina Yusoff, Ts. Dr. Mohamad Mat Nor, Director of Sports and Culture Centre Abd. Rahman Haji Safie, Programme Director, Ain Syazliana Mohd Adnan and Director of Expoconvo 2018, Siti Aishah Darmawansyah.

Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir said the university deeply appreciated the cooperation rendered by the community for their involvement in the programme as well as in high-impact initiatives that contributed to local socio-economic development.

"UMP would like to share its joy on attaining a number of achievements. If previously, UMP campus is known only to the people of Pekan cannot be even more delightful as the university has just been listed by QS University Rankings 2018 as one of the top 500 universities in the world."

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Malaysia and among the 188 best universities in Asia.

“Apart from getting the five-star rating UMP has also been recognised as the fastest developing technology achievement and international recognition can further enhance its standing as a prestigious landmark of Felda Royal Town,” he said.

He hoped that this would help boost good ties between UMP community and the locals, in line with the event theme, ‘Communitising University’.

One of the visitors who came to the event, Azwi Dalily Sulaiman, 34, from Ketapang Tengah, said program Felda Pekan as it indirectly helped to liven up the place.

“Also, programmes such as this can bring the children together, spending the weekends and getting involved with students,” he added.

Programme Director Siti Aishah Darmawansyah said this year’s theme was ‘Recalling Memories’, featuring stories from all walks of life for the next one month.

“The highlight would be the convocation ceremony,” she said.

She added that among the activities outlined were Black Night Run, Blush with Brush, Cake Deco Competition, Kid Zone, Street [Science@Gallery](#) a forum for youths on health and [STEM@UMP](#) Competition.

There are also stalls and service counters set up by Road Transport Department, Tabung Haji Board, and MPK.

The programme provides an opportunity for the public to participate. For more information, call the secretariat at 03-6100 1000.

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