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Education for All – Message from Minister of Educ

Minister of Education, Dr. Maszlee Malik presented his vision on the education sector for the year 2019 in h
emphasised on four aspects – quality, autonomy, collaboration and internalisation.

The speech was delivered before some 3,000 people at the main hall, Sultan Salahuddin Abdul Aziz Sha
Malaysia (UPM), Serdang on January 14, 2019.

Dr. Mazlee said the four aspects would be in line with the ministry's objective of attaining high quality edu
relevance and effectiveness.

He added that in facing the challenges of fulfilling Vision 2020, the main key was education as it would help
would be the starting point to meet the target.

He also said the integrity of institutes of higher education would be restored and that the disabled and the p

"In line with our vision, that is to restore the integrity of public universities and institutes of higher educ
emphasis on values as the core of education, we have outlined four specific directions - quality, autonomy,

"This tallies with our vision to attain high quality through excellence, relevance and effectiveness," he said.

He added that several changes would be carried out and suggested that academicians to be more visible
the people.

"There was also a need to have more programmes of academic nature, the need for solutions to social
towards developing the nation," he said.

"Apart from this, ethics is another major aspect that needs to be given attention. Bad work ethics, plagiaris
Integrity cannot be compromised in tackling the problems of plagiarisms, bonceng gratis and the madness i
of getting marks for publication.

"Publications must reflect the intellectual dominance of the person and for the works be made a global refer

"In the meantime, the quality of research grants will be improved. Grants distributed must be in the for
translations of major works and must lead towards solving current and substantial problems of the society a

On the promotion system for lecturers, Dr. Mazlee said the ministry was moving towards the using of artifi
would take in all the efforts and contributions and automatically determine their eligibility for a promotion.

He also said by making the library into a huge and endless knowledge repository, communication system
and access to outside publication would be enhanced.

Dr. Mazlee said the aim was to have public universities and institutes of higher education turned into a glob

On the internationalisation agenda, Dr. Mazlee said it included efforts to increase the number of foreig
Malaysia an international education hub as well as establishing more local university branches abroad by w

"The ministry encourages the setting up of foreign university branches in public universities such as the M
collaborations between local universities and prominent universities and calls on academicians to be vis
said.

He also said in a move to further improve autonomy of universities, key performance index (KPI) of every fa

size-fits-all nature would be abolished.

The universities would be divided into clusters to create synergy and collaboration so they would not move

On the empowerment of undergraduates, Dr. Mazlee said this would continue to be given attention and was to repeal the Section 15 (1) (c) that restrained the involvement of undergraduates in political activities government's plan to lower the voting age limit to 18.

On promoting collaboration, Dr. Mazlee said the ecosystem to further fuel intellectualism must be increa mentor-mentee relationship between senior professors and new lecturers so more schools of thoughts in th

"In addition to this, universities can team up with other parties to set up endowment from the wakaf, zakat the tax incentives to initiate endowment through alumni.

"It is the same with the internationalisation of universities as more drastic and comprehensive measures must be produced and translated, the translation process must be actively carried out while rebranding effectively at the global level," he said.

As for polytechnics and community colleges, Dr. Mazlee said these institutions would not be marginalis delivery of TVET programme in order to improve graduate employability.

"We have embarked on steps to position MTUN and polytechnics so opportunities for polytechnic graduat secured. Polytechnics and community colleges have also significantly contributed to creating career path undergo skills training programme,'' he said.

Dr. Mazlee also launched the KPM ICT Transformation Plan Book 2019-2023. Among the guests present a Teo Nie Ching, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir Ibra

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