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UMP provides a helping hand during exam season

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PEKAN, 5 July 2022 - Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) intensified assistance for students living in Student Residences and off-campus for the welfare and well-being of students, especially during the examination season.

The free food distribution to students in the form of breakfast and evening snacks (Supper2Share: Free Supper) held by Residential Student Representative (PEKA) was one of the programmes that provided encouragement and alleviated the burden of students before the Final Examination of Semester II Academic Session 2021/2022.

According to the UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Ts. Dr. Yuserrie Zainuddin, UMP is concerned about the current increased food prices.



"Therefore, the university will strengthen the control of food prices and always contribute to the welfare of UMP students, most of whom are B40 students.

"UMP will introduce a win-win food price package and budget price menu in collaboration with the food sellers and various parties involved.

"At the same time, the welfare of the cafeteria entrepreneurs is also preserved because they are also faced with increased goods prices but still need to maintain the price of food at the current rate," he said.

Meanwhile, the university will continue to improve UMP Kasih assistance, a meal coupon for students struggling with financial issues.

This assistance allows students to use the ADAB@UMP app to get food for free for eligible students in the campus cafeteria in the coming semester.

Nine initiatives or coupons are provided under Food@Campus Malaysia UMP Family including UMP Kasih, UMP Pek Kasih Sayang, UMP Campus Pantry, UMP: YAPEM and UMP Iftar (every Monday and Thursday) at UMP mosque.

Others are UMP Food For All, UMP Basket Concern Foundation, UMP Traveller and UMP Kerantina, estimated at approximately RM5.6 million over the past two years.

To date, more than 4,000 UMP students have benefited through the Food@Campus Keluarga Malaysian donation programme from the initiative by the Ministry of Higher Education (MoHE) in collaboration with other agencies.

In addition, they are holding discussions about the Ready to Eat food package preparation initiative through retort technology under the Food@campus initiative (UMP Campus Pantry) in partnership with various relevant parties.

UMP also formulated a long-term plan by developing a comprehensive Sustainable Campus Life Planning covering food plans, hostels, transportation, devices and others.

Currently, Yayasan UMP also provides various special learning facilities aids such as laptops and internet data plans to ease the burden of students for their studies.

The Student Affairs and Alumni Department (JHEPA) also provides e-Counselling services and others to help students not to affect their studies.

Students can liaise with JHEPA and Student Residency for information on assistance provided by the university.

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