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UMPSA Contingent secures third place in Pekan District National Day Parade

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PEKAN, 31 August 2026 – The Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah (UMPSA) contingent secured third place in the Pekan District National Day Parade, held at Dataran Pekan Bandar Diraja Pahang today.

A strong sense of patriotism and pride as members of a technical university was clearly evident as 50 members of the UMPSA community participated in the parade in conjunction with the 2026 National

Day celebration.

The contingent, comprising academics, officers, staff, and students, enthusiastically represented UMPSA and its aspirations as a technical university committed to strengthening excellence in technology, engineering, innovation, and industry-based education.

Also present to support the contingent was UMPSA Registrar, Dato' Saiful Bahri Ahmad Bakarim, accompanied by Manager of the ADAB Academy, Student Affairs and Alumni Department (JHEPA), Mohd Raizalhilmy Mohd Rais.

The UMPSA contingent was led by Assistant Security Officer of the Security Centre, Abd Halim Othman, who carried the spirit and aspirations of the entire university community to continue fostering a culture of innovation, enhancing competitiveness, and contributing to the development of society and the nation.

According to Dato' Saiful Bahri, E-Kilau, a three-wheeled electric vehicle (EV) concept car assembled and developed by students of the Bachelor of Automotive Technology with Honours programme at UMPSA's Automotive Teaching Factory, attracted considerable attention.

"The presence of E-Kilau in the parade was not merely an attraction but also symbolised UMPSA's ability to integrate knowledge, technology, skills, and innovation through an educational ecosystem that meets the actual needs of industry.

"Through the teaching factory approach, students are exposed to hands-on learning experiences in various aspects of vehicle development, including component assembly, electronic and electrical wiring, control systems, and vehicle safety," he said.

Meanwhile, UMPSA Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ts. Dr. Yatimah Alias, congratulated the university community on UMPSA's participation in the parades held in Pekan and Kuantan.

"For UMPSA, technology is not merely something to be created but must be utilised to address real-world challenges, improve quality of life, and support sustainable national development," she said.

From laboratories to industry, from research to innovation, and from the university to society, UMPSA continues to move forward in exploring future technologies and developing highly skilled talent capable of driving national progress.

The participation of the UMPSA contingent in the National Day parade was not merely symbolic but also demonstrated the spirit of togetherness, patriotism, and commitment of the university community to continue contributing through knowledge, technology, and innovation.

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