Convocation

UMP Chancellor called on efforts to strengthen the culture of integrity and happiness in the education system

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Universiti Malaysi;a Pahang (UMP) Chancellor, His Royal Highness Regent of Pahang Tengku Mahkota Tengku Abdullah Al-Haj Ibni Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah Al-Musta'in Billah called on for some strategic adjustments that emphasised on the transparency aspect in governance based on integrity, accountability and ethics.

"These values were not to be at all compromised by the university management," he said.

"In fact, the Ministry of Education's goal to create an education system that is centred on the culture of joy, happiness, compassion, humanity and respect is a timely one.

"This moral culture is not only relevant in the enrichment of the students' experience in campus but should also be instilled when implementing community projects, be it in the country or abroad," he said in his speech during the university's 13th Convocation Ceremony held at UMP Gambang Campus on November 10, 2018.

Among the guests present were UMP Board of Directors' Chairman, Dato' Sri Ibrahim Ahmad and UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim.

Tengku Abdullah also said at the same time, strategic and professional networking was important for university branding, student development, research expansion and to boost the university's wakaf and endowment ecosystem.

As such, he expected UMP management to give special attention to Industry Network Alumni Platform (INAP) initiative and style it as a strategic inter-cluster and intra-cluster interaction medium for its alumni.

"It is also a challenge for graduates to start thinking about making contributions back to UMP, a very fertile nursery that has encouraged their growth to success," he said.

Tengku Abdullah also conferred an Honorary Doctorate of Engineering (Electronics) to former Managing Director of Motorola Solutions Sdn. Bhd., Dr. Hari Narayanan P Ondiveeran, as a mark of appreciation and recognition of his notable personage, credibility and leadership.

Dr. Hari Narayanan is currently Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) Board of Governors' Chairman.

A total of 28 recipients were presented with excellence awards and prizes based on their outstanding performance in academics, community service and other fields.

The Royal Academic Award (Excellence Medal) recipients were Joanne Bong Shan Shan from

Faculty of Industrial Management (FPI) and Umi Zaidatul Azeera Mohd Nawi from Faculty of Computer Systems & Software Engineering (FSKKP).

Tan Jia Shun of FPI was the recipient of the Chancellor Award while Lee Wei Keat of FSKKP received the Vice-Chancellor Award.

The Lifelong Learning Professionals Award for Professional/Executive Programme was conferred to YM Tengku Dato' Sri Kamarulzaman Al Haj Ibni Almarhum Sultan Sir Abu Bakar and Kumaran s/o Alagamuthu Nadar from UMP Advanced Education.

There were a total of 15 other awards and prizes presented during the convocation. The awards and prizes were contributed by individuals and companies.

They are the Gold Award, Professor Dato' Dr. Mashitah Mohd Yusoff Award, Srikandi Matahari Award, Puspanita Caring Community Award, Hei Tech Excellence Award, Ir. Kee Book Hee Excellence Award, Sapura Industrial Berhad Excellence Award, Telekom Malaysia Berhad Excellence Award, Perodua Excellence Award, Dimension Bid Excellence Award and Soho Niaga Excellence Award.

Others included Pahang Foundation Excellence Prize, Association of German Engineers Dual-Degree Programme Excellence Prize, BASF Petronas Chemicals Sdn. Bhd. Excellence Prize and Setegap Ventures Petroleum Sdn. Bhd. Excellence Prize.

A total of 652 graduates received their scrolls during the first session of the convocation which was also attended by school students from Kuala Pahang, Pekan.

They were from several fishing villages in Kuala Pahang who took part in the 'Bridge of Love Project@KP House organised by UMP.

UMP celebrated its 2,773 graduates during the two-day convocation held over in four sessions. They included 63 who received their doctorate degrees, 172 for their Masters' degrees, 221 for their Executive Masters' degrees, 52 for their Executive Bachelor's degrees, 1,713 for their Bachelor's degrees, 40 for their dual-degrees, 270 for their diplomas and 242 for their executive diplomas.

They were graduates from nine faculties and two learning centres.

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