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**Chairman of Board of Directors visits UMP laboratory**

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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)'s laboratory and learning facilities were described as impressive by Ibrahim Ahmad who spent about two hours in the Gambang campus on January 22, 2019.

Dato' Sri Ibrahim said he was pleased to see the kind of capacity UMP had and that he was satisfied with that the university put great emphasis on.

"This shows that UMP's laboratories are systematically managed and operated according to international standards," he said.

Dato' Sri Ahmad's arrival at the university was greeted by UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri Daud bin Mat, management including Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research & Innovation), Professor Dato' Dr. Mashitah binti Mohd. Daud, Innovation General Manager, Datin Sri Fazia Ali and Registrar/Chief Operation Officer, Abd Hamid Majid.

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He visited the laboratories of Faculty of Industrial Sciences & Technology and Faculty of Chemical & Industrial Management Learning Factory, Faculty of Engineering Technology GMP Lab, Center of Excellence (CARIFF), Bio-Aromatic Research Center of Excellence (BARCE) and IBM Centre of Excellence.

Briefings were delivered by officers-in-charge of every laboratory that included projects and amenities available.

He spent time with undergraduates who were completing their final projects and was briefed on the development.

He also spent time with post-graduate students and explored the facilities prepared for the students' research.

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## **A total of 380 new students registered at UMP**

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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) received 380 new students for the academic session of 2018/2019 that started on January 25, 2019. The students are from various faculties and programmes across the two campuses in Gambang and Pekan.

Out of the 380 students, 167 were those with diploma or of equivalent qualification and would be pursuing their undergraduate studies.

There were also 25 foreign students comprising 14 who would pursue their undergraduate studies and 11 who would be participating in the mobility programme.

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Registration started at 8.30am at the Student Activity Centre in Pekan while in Gambang, registration was held at the Residential Colleges.

The students and their families were greeted by Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Affairs & Alumni), Professor

He said the university was pleased to see that the registration process went on smoothly and congratulated

He also presented RM1,000 in financial assistance, provided under the UMP MyGift Incentive, to eligible students to help with their expenses.

“It is the responsibility of the university to ensure that students of less fortunate background are able to continue their studies,” he said.

“This social responsibility, about coping with stress in life, is no longer an option but an action that needs to be taken,” he said.

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forms and are also based on the university's own capacity.

"The university provide assistance in the form of tithe, scholarships, special assistance at the onset of class fees or health," he added.

He also said in addition to that, the students were encouraged to do business as there were spaces and biz

"This would give them the opportunity to study and at the same time, work for extra income but without sac

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## **40 UMP staff and students visited Al Hijrah TV station to learn m**

In a move to further strengthen the branding campaign of Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP), the Vice-Chancellor visited Al Hijrah television station on January 15, 2019.

Forty staff and students took part in the trip organised under the '*Kembara Ilmu*' programme aimed at establishing closer ties with television stations in the country.

It was also to explore opportunities to promote UMP among the media companies which served as a platform for the public.

According to Corporate Communication Senior Executive, Mimi Rabita Abd Wahit, the staff involved in the publishing and new media units.

"By sharing their skills and knowledge with our staff, we hope the skills and knowledge learned can be applied

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"In fact, UMP has already started its own UMPTV broadcasting which serves as a medium where information on the university's accomplishments are channelled.

"To date, UMPTV broadcasts latest news on publication and a talk show with the audience in the social media platforms conducted with the support and cooperation of the Centre for Modern Languages & Human Sciences (CMLHS).

She added that with the experience gained from the trip, it was hoped that the staff and students would have a better understanding of each other.

CMLHS Senior Language Teacher, Hajah Noor Azlinda Zainal Abidin said, she was fortunate to be given the opportunity to participate in the trip.

"There are a lot to learn and benefit from the programme and at the same, the university can form ties with other universities in the region," she said.

"One unforgettable experience was the chance to be part of the Pink Point show produced by Al Hijrah TV, featuring popular personality, Datin Fouziah Gous and her husband Datuk Zhafran Yusof. The topic was 'Finicky'."

On the 'Kembara Ilmu' programme, Hajah Nor Azlinda said she hoped that it would continue to be held annually to allow more people to learn and benefit from the programme.

"At the same time, the programme helped to foster closer ties among the staff and undergraduates," she added.

The participants also got to visit the Nasyrul Quran Complex which was the second biggest al-Quran printing and exhibition centre in Madinah.

Located in Putrajaya, the complex is a centre where various copies of the holy book from around the world are displayed and exhibited.

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