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**Malay Language enhancement carnival benefitted UMP**

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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)'s Centre for Modern Languages & Human Sciences (CMLHS) organised a Carnival and Community Service involving 35 of its foreign undergraduates who were from Yemen, Egypt and from Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Seri Bera.

The event, which was held on April 23, 2019, saw the participants taking part in cross-cultural programmes of the international cultures.

According to Programme Director, Juwairiah Osman, who is from the Foreign Language Department of CMLHS, Gambang Campus who took the UHF1161: Malay for Beginners and UHF2161: Malay for Intermediate courses.

She added that among the activities that were carried out were teaching the school students techniques on how to write (SPM)'s bahasa Melayu paper, presenting motivational and career talks and showcasing the '*Jom Masuk U*'.

"There are other exhibitions that showcased how the Malay language has innovatively progressed international cultures of Yemen, Egypt, Syria, Sudan, Somalia and China," she added.

She also said that the programme had made good impacts in generating the interest in the language and that it managed UMP to establish good ties with the community especially schools.

Juwairiah said the carnival's committee consisted of language teachers from the Department of Foreign Languages and students taking the soft skill subject and those from UMP Orator Club.

UMP student Ahmed Adel Shahnan, who is from Yemen, said he was glad to be able to participate in the programme and to learn the Malay language system in Malaysia.

Ahmed Adel Shanani, an undergraduate at Faculty of Computer Systems & Software Engineering (FCSSE), said he was able to communicate with the school students.

Another participant Ammar Abdullah Manea Alkhawlani, also from Yemen, said he could now converse in Malay.

"Normally, I would communicate with my Malay, Chinese and Indian friends in campus. I am fortunate to be able to communicate with them now."

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students from the school. The experience was surely wonderful,” he added.

In UMP, students can learn the Malay language, share new experience and tell stories about the special university and the fun of communicating in Malay.

In a move to make foreign students understand the language better, UMP carried out various programmes in a programme where participants would take part in dramas, poem reading and public speaking.

Some of them had participated in the Prime Minister Cup International Malay Speaking Competition that was held at UMP.

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## **UMP Family Day strengthens bond among campus community**

Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) recently held its Family Day gathering, dubbed 1Family, at the Universiti Malaysia Pahang on April 27, 2019.

Based on the filial themes of happiness, care and mutual respect, the family day saw 1,000 people, comprising students and staff, participating according to the colors of their fraternity houses – red, yellow, blue, green and white.

This family day gathering was a joint effort by several associations at the university – namely those for academics (PAKAD), support staff (KESUMP), women (Matahari) as well as the Registrar Department.

Over 20 sporting events were held, among which were aerobics, tug of war and musical chair. The Red team emerged as the winner in the tug of war event.

Gracing the family day were UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato’ Sri Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim, and his wife, Datin Hajah Nurul Huda, Registrar, Abd Rahman Haji Safie.

According to Professor Dato’ Sri Dr. Daing Nasir, the first family day was a successful gathering, and it was a testament to the participation of the university staff and their family members.

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“The activities held at this family day gathering can help strengthen the bond among campus residents, all of whom are UMP residents. In fact, such a day can be an excellent platform for the welfare and well-being of all at UMP,” stressed the Vice-Chancellor.

“Moreover, with such themes selected for this first family day, the gathering can help acculturate traits of UMP and eventually build a stronger love for the university,” he added.

Meanwhile, the organizing chairman, Mohd Raizalhilmy Mohd Rais, extended his token of appreciation to all who collectively made the event a successful one.

“We are proud of the commitment showed by the committee members and volunteers, especially in planning and executing the event for staff and their families,” said Mohd Raizalhilmy, who hoped more of similar events can be conducted in the future.

Among the interesting activities seen at the family day were several contests, namely colouring for the children and healthy food preparation for the adults.

There were also food stalls offering the likes of ice-cream, *cendol* and *keropok lekor* for free to everyone who attended.

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## **Agrobank contributes pocket money to 35 selected UMP students**

A total of 35 Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) students received assistances included pocket money under a programme called ‘Pocket Money Initiative’ that was aimed to lessen their financial burden.

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The money was from tithes provided by Agrobank which also contributed takaful aids amounting to RM385,000 under the B40 Family Income Protection Scheme to the students who were from the B40 family background.

Pahang Agrobank Director, Safaruddin Samsuddin presented the aids to UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri. Dr. Daing Nasir at the Banquet Hall, Tun Abdul Razak Chancellery in Pekan UMP on April 29, 2019.

Also present at the event were Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Affairs & Alumni), Professor Dato' Dr. Yusoff Yusoff (Academic & International), Professor Ir. Dr. Wan Azhar Wan Yusoff and Islamic Centre & Human Development, Dr. Ismail.

Professor Dato' Sri. Dr. Daing Nasir said he was grateful that the initiatives taken had managed to help students.

"We hope that the contributions given will help to sustain their expenses and ease their burden through the B40 Family Income Protection Scheme," he added.

He also said the management of UMP had always been committed in making the university more socially responsible through its medium and volunteer movement.

"As such, in order to make its university-community agenda a success within the framework of UMP Strategic Plan, any plan by any department or agency that is interested to form a collaboration in various forms of common good will be supported."

He also said UMP hoped to see more support in its efforts to boost charitable deeds through education and research.

Other projects that would be implemented to support this move included Food for All, *Gerobok Rezeki* (Gerobok Blessing) and Campus Pantry and MyCafe-Community.

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Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir also presented RM140,000 of public donations, collected through the for iftar in the month of Ramadan.

UMP would also organise Ramadan Festival and among the activities to be carried out were Tazkirah prayers with invited guest imam, Iftar Jamaie and cooking of *bubur lambuk* at Kuala Pahang RTC and UMP.

Other events included strategic collaboration with Etiqa and Isuzu in the Indahnya Ramadan programme as those in the asnaf group.

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## **UMP bonds with Media in friendly bowling com**

Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) recently held a friendly bowling tournament with members of the Press, recognising the latter's efforts in providing ample media exposure about UMP over the years.

Conducted for the seventh year running, the UMP-Media 2019 Bowling Friendly programme was held at t on May 2, 2019, with more than 100 participants, comprising UMP management staff, media practitioners a

The annual tourney was officiated by UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim, w Rahman Haji Safie, and Dean of the Faculty of Engineering Technology, Professor Dato' Dr. Zularisam Ab

Also present at the event were President of Pahang Media Club, Dato' Nik Naizi Husin and Press Secretar Wahab Mohamad Ali.

Over 10 media agencies participated, among whom were Pahang bureau chiefs of Bernama, Nor Shams Atan; of RTM, Mohd Jasmi Faisal Muda; and of Utusan, Mohd Shariza Abdullah.

According to Professor Dato' Sri Dr. Daing Nasir, such event was held to show the university's appreciation of disseminating the right information about the university to the public at large.

"Aside from being a sporting event to promote a healthy lifestyle, this tournament is also a platform for us to

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“The activity is one of many initiatives undertaken by the university to build and maintain rapport with members of the community and to disseminate the latest news and information to all parties concerned,” he added, saying that through such activities, UMP has recognized UMP as a five-star tertiary education provider, which produces competitive engineers and technicians.

Professor Dato’ Sri Dr. Daing Nasir, who wished everyone in attendance a belated Labor Day greeting, said that the activities will continue to cement cordial working relationships between the two.

He also took the opportunity to share the progress of UMP MyGift programme, which has garnered support from the government, endowment and fund to facilitate the university’s ever increasing activities, in the efforts to inculcate a culture of giving.

Among the other activities lined up at the university for the fasting month of Ramadan are Ramadan Feeding Programme (PIMPIN), Human Development (PIMPIN), and a strategic collaboration with Etiqa Insurance and Isuzu Malaysia Sdn. Bhd.

PIMPIN will help coordinate a short video contest, mass Iftar and Terawih congregation with invited Imams, and a traditional Lambuk porridge preparation at the Kuala Pahang Rural Transformation Centre.

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## **FIM Learning Factory: New member of the I**

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FIM Learning Factory, an initiative by the Faculty of Industrial Management (FIM) of Universiti Malaysia, milestone – being accepted as the new member, and the first from Asia, of the International Association of Learning Factories (IALF).

The prestigious recognition was held during the IALF's annual general meeting (AGM) at the Braunschweig University of Technology (TU Braunschweig) on March 26, 2019.

Representing UMP Learning Factory at the AGM were Dean of FIM, Associate Professor Dr. Mohd Ridzuan (Dean and Chief Operating Officer), and Head of Technical and lecturer, Mohd Ghazali Maarof.

IALF was originally a European Learning Factory (ELF), established in 2011 and was later revamped and expanded to a global circle of research institutions in Germany, Austria, Croatia, Greece and South Africa.

IALF was founded with the aim to collaborate on achieving teaching excellence in the fields of manufacturing and engineering education.

In the last few years, there has been a growing interest in Learning Factory worldwide, particularly with research companies and consulting services.

The Learning Factory is a learning environment concept where a real industrial site is created to allow both students and lecturers to gain real-world exposure of the production process. It emphasized on the experimental and problem-based learning and active involvement of the participants.

Meanwhile, the establishment of Learning Factory at UMP in 2016 has become part and parcel of the FIM curriculum.

The objectives were to provide a complete industrial site within a campus environment with real manufacturing experience to assimilate the elements of Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET).

Through such establishment, FIM hopes to prepare undergraduates with the experience of working in a real industrial environment to with confidence and ease. By participating in the activities of a Learning Factory, students can also enhance their skills and knowledge.

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**More than 100 collection of books belonging to Allahyarham Prof. Dr. Mohd. Ghazali Maarof  
donated to UMP Library**



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Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) community especially students at Faculty of Industrial Management (FIM) were given books and journals on management, finance, governance practices, integrity and ethics that belonged to the late Allahyarham Professor Dato' Dr. Ishak Ismail who passed away on April 4, 2019.

More than 100 books belonging to him that have been donated to UMP Library in Gambang Campus and for the purpose of learning.

The books were given away by his widow, Professor Dato' Dr. Hasnah Haron, who is also Institute of Library Librarian, Dzull Zabarrod Ahmad on April 25, 2019.

Also present were Chief Operating Officer and Registrar of UMP, Associate Professor Dr. Mohd Ridzuan Daud and Dr. Safie.

Allahyarham Professor Dato' Dr. Ishak had made huge contribution to UMP with the establishment of the Faculty of Industrial Management in 2016, which was a result of strategic partnership fostered with Pahang Foundation.

According to Professor Dato' Dr. Hasnah, the books and journals were mainly on his late husband's researches as '*Keberkesanan Sistem Parol Jabatan Penjara*' (Effectiveness of Parole System at the Prison Department Government Agency', a study on small businesses in Japan, a study on the anti-bribery management system in corporate foundations and factors that impacted study loan repayments by borrowers of Pahang Foundation.

"Others included works on basic operations management, consumer behavior, basic and practices in management, works of masters' and doctorate degree students.

"There were also an article on 'Internal Audit Capability Model' published in New Zealand that was 'Internal Audit Capability Maturity Model' printed by the Institute Internal Auditors, USA," she said.

As for Associate Professor Dr. Mohd Ridzuan, he said this was a very significant contribution especially for the students.

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Dzull Zabarrod also expressed his appreciation on the contribution made and that the books and publication good reference sources on a variety of issues.

“We highly appreciate the services of the late academician who had contributed a lot of books to the library

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