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# **Mawaddah Residential College for UMP students with the concept of waqf**

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PEKAN, 11 March 2021 - Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) will have student accommodation with a waqf concept when the Mawaddah Residential College, which is established to provide accommodation to students among the orphans or zakat beneficiaries (asnaf), is fully completed early next year.

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The project on an area of 2.0 acres in UMP Pekan is the university management initiative with the Pahang Islamic Religious and Malay Customs Council (MUIP) in an effort to help students in need and have financial problems and the increased rental to be borne by the students.

According to the Chairman of the UMP Board of Directors, Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr. Abdul Aziz Abdul Rahman, who is also the Chairman of Yayasan UMP, said the university is fortunate to have good cooperation from MUIP which permits the collection of the cash endowment fund to enable the public to contribute in the development of the Mawaddah Residential College which means 'Love'.

"There should be no sense of inferiority among the students here. In fact, the university management agreed that this placement should also be extended to other students so that there is no gap in the economic segments among them," he said.

"These students supposed to be more motivated, to have a strong identity and take this opportunity to be more successful.

"It is expected that 220 students from orphans and asnaf will benefit from this initiative," he said.

He hopes that more people will contribute and pay zakat in ensuring that these children can be helped to continue their studies.

He also advised the students to be successful and return to contribute to benefit other students.

Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr. Abdul Aziz paid a visit to the Mawaddah Residential College to see the development progress.

Also present were the UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Ir. Dr. Wan Azhar Wan Yusoff, Chief Executive Officer, the Pahang Islamic Religious and Malay Customs Council (MUIP) and Member of the Board of Trustees of Yayasan UMP, Dato' Ahmad Hairi Hussain and the UMP top management.

UMP also thanked MUIP and the public who have contributed to the Mawaddah Residential College Endowment Fund.

Those who wish to contribute can do so under the name of Bendahari Universiti Malaysia Pahang through Bank Islam: 06073010024679 or Maybank: 556235309907.

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