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Empowering Conservation and Academic Triumph: My Inspiring Journey on Hari Sungai Sedunia”

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Hari Sungai Sedunia, or World Rivers Day, is celebrated on **21st September 2024**. This global event aims to raise awareness about the importance of rivers and promote their conservation. This year, the celebration was particularly special for me as it marked a significant milestone in my academic journey. The highlight of the event was improving the quality of the river through conservation efforts and increasing public awareness about the importance of river conservation.

Submitting My PhD Thesis

Coinciding with Hari Sungai Sedunia, I also reached a significant academic milestone: the submission of my PhD thesis.

Overcoming Challenges During Thesis Writing

The journey to completing my thesis was not without its challenges. I struggled with organizing my thoughts and structuring my writing. To overcome this, I met with my supervisor every day to discuss my progress. We went through my writing line by line, crafting each sentence together so that the flow of writing is synchronize and was able to be understand by other researcher. This collaborative effort was crucial in helping me finish my thesis.



The award ceremony

Winning the Silver Award

I was honoured to receive the “Anugerah Tesis Terbaik” (Best Thesis Award) in the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) category in conjunction with World Rivers Day 2024. The prize presentation ceremony was officiated by The Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Energy Transition and Water Transformation (PETRA), YAB Dato' Sri Haji Fadillah bin Haji Yusof, together with the YAB Tuan Ling Tian Soon, Chairman of the Health and Environment Committee of Johor State, the official representative of YAB Dato' Onn Hafiz bin Ghazi, the Chief Minister of Johor. The thesis, titled "Quantitative Precipitation Forecast Using NWAP WRF-ANN Model for Hydrometeorological Flood Forecasting".

Winning the silver award for my thesis was an acknowledgement to the hard work and dedication I have put into my research. This recognition has further motivated me to continue my efforts in advocating for sustainable river management. The award ceremony took place at Sungai Tebrau, Johor Bahru, Johor.

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A Message of Motivation

I hope my journey inspires others who are working on their thesis or any challenging projects. Remember, persistence and seeking guidance can make a significant difference. If you face difficulties, don't hesitate to reach out for support and work through your challenges step by step. Your efforts will pay off, and you can achieve great things. Please remember to never give up and to continue moving forward, no matter how challenging it is, and have confidence that there will be sunshine even during miserable days. Challenges will make you stronger and more determined to give the greatest effort in anything.

Looking Ahead

Participating in “Hari Sungai Sedunia” and submitting my PhD thesis have been deeply rewarding experiences. They have reinforced my commitment to environmental conservation and inspired me to continue advocating for sustainable river management. I hope that my research and involvement in such events will encourage others to recognize the vital role rivers play in our lives and take action to protect them. As we celebrate Hari Sungai Sedunia, let us remember that every small effort counts. Whether it's participating in a clean-up drive, planting trees, or simply spreading awareness, we can all contribute to the preservation of our precious rivers.

