



newsletter

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Foreword from Assistant Vice-Chancellor

Assalamualaikum wbt and warm greetings. Welcome to the latest edition of the Alam Bina newsletter.

This year, the College of Built Environment (CBE) celebrates remarkable milestones that reinforce its position as a leading hub for education, research, and innovation. CBE's recognition in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2024, continuous growth in high-impact research publications, and strengthened international collaborations are testaments to the collective efforts of our dedicated faculty, staff, and students. These achievements not only showcase academic excellence but also highlight our unwavering commitment to sustainability, innovation, and global engagement.

The stories featured in this issue embody CBE's values of resilience, creativity, and collaboration. They reflect the progress we have made in teaching, research, industry partnerships, and community engagement, solidifying our mission to shape future leaders in the built environment.

As you explore the pages of this newsletter, I invite you to take pride in the shared journey we are on. To all contributors, writers, and the editorial team, thank you for your dedication in documenting and celebrating our achievements. Together, let us continue to elevate CBE's standing, inspire excellence, and pave the way for even greater successes ahead.

May this edition spark renewed inspiration and strengthen our resolve to thrive as a community of knowledge, innovation, and impact.

Generation of Professional Excellence

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The College of Built Environment proudly soars into the global arena, securing its position among the top 200 universities worldwide in Architecture and Built Environment in the 2024 QS World University Rankings by Subject. This outstanding feat is a testament to CBE's relentless pursuit of academic distinction, trailblazing research, and transformative innovation. With this momentum, CBE continues to drive global conversations, forge impactful collaborations, and shape sustainable, resilient cities of the future. Heartiest congratulations to all CBEans on this phenomenal milestone!



BRIDGING ARCHITECTURE AND FASHION: A UNIQUE COLLABORATION KALIMA TEXTILE X UiTM

In an exciting endeavor to merge the worlds of architecture and fashion, Studies of Architecture, College of Built Environment at UiTM Puncak Alam recently hosted a collaboration that showcased the dynamic partnership between academia and industry. The event, held from November 2023 to February 2024, marked a significant milestone in the exploration of Malaysian-inspired patterns and their transformation into wearable art prints.

The project, initiated by the Studies of Architecture, College of Built Environment, aimed to leverage the expertise of Kalima Textile, a local textile company, to breathe life into meticulously crafted patterns derived from Malaysia's rich natural species which aligns with the theme of studio project for this semester, Rekindling Malaysian Tourism in Cultiverse Journey. Titled "Kalima Textile x UiTM," the collaboration provided a platform for exchanging ideas and aspirations between industry professionals and students. The collaboration sought to bridge the gap between architecture and fashion, infusing architectural narratives into ready-to-wear attire such as printed kaftan and printed shirt. The studio exploration also extended to daily items such as postcards, iPad cases, phone cases, and tote bags.

The event, which kickstarted on 27 November 2023, featured a panel discussion where representatives from Kalima Textile shared insights into the company's profile and vision. Invited guest panels are En. Tabizi Tahir, Director of Kalima Textile, Pn Nurfatimah Rashidee, Managing Director of Kalima Textile and Pn Liyana Ahmad Zaini, guest surface pattern designer. The students had the opportunity to appreciate the intricacies of developing surface pattern design in the fashion industry, as well as the significance of promoting Malaysia's cultural identity through wearable art. Through this collaboration, both parties aimed to produce a unique collection of wearable items that showcases the beauty of Malaysia's native natural species

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