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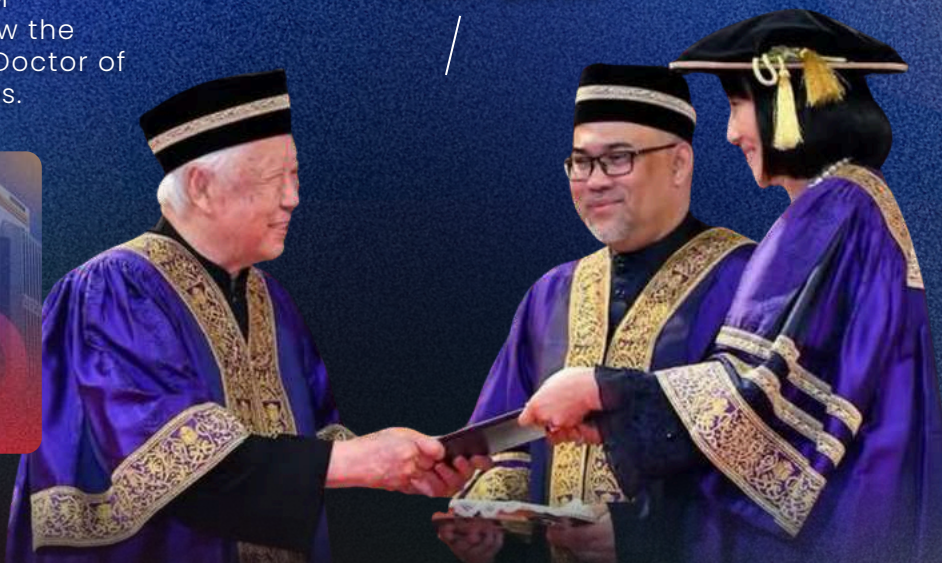
## The Editorial Feature

Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) has conferred the title of **Professor Emeritus to The Father of Malaysian Architecture, Hijjas Kasturi**, at the 101st UiTM Convocation Ceremony held at the Dewan Agung Tuanku Canselor, Shah Alam Campus, on 7th May 2025. The prestigious recognition was presented by UiTM Pro-Chancellor, Tan Sri Zarinah Anwar.

This honour acknowledges Hijjas's immense contributions as the founder of the School of Applied Arts at the Institut Teknologi MARA (now UiTM) in 1967, which laid the foundation for the establishment of the Faculty of Architecture, Planning and Surveying (FSPU) and the Faculty of Art & Design (FSSR).

The first session of the 101st UiTM Convocation Ceremony also saw the graduation of 164 recipients of Doctor of Philosophy and Master's degrees.

Father of Malaysian Architecture, **Hijjas Kasturi** receives the title of **Emeritus Professor** from **UiTM**



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## STRATEGIC COLLABORATION: UITM WELCOMES UNIVERSITAS ANDALAS FOR LOI SIGNING

PUNCAK ALAM, 30 DECEMBER 2024 – Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) has signed a Letter of Intent (LoI) with Universitas Andalas (UNAND), Indonesia, marking the initial step towards establishing a strategic collaboration with the Architecture Discipline, School of Architecture and Interior Architecture, College of Built Environment, UiTM Puncak Alam in the areas of education, research, and knowledge development. The LoI was formalised during the official visit by the delegation from the Faculty of Engineering, Universitas Andalas to UiTM.

The LoI was signed by Assoc. Prof. Ts. Dr. Emma Marinie Ahmad Zawawi, Assistant Vice-Chancellor of the College of Built Environment, UiTM, and Prof. Dr. Ir. Is Prima Nanda, M.T., IPU, Dean of the Faculty of Engineering, Universitas Andalas. This collaboration focuses on research, academic publication, innovation and entrepreneurship development involving both academic staff and students from the two institutions.

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN UNIVERSITI TEKNOLOGI MARA (UITM) AND ACMAR FHP GROUP BERHAD

Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) and ACMAR FHP Group Berhad have marked a significant milestone by signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to establish a strategic partnership focused on advancing academic excellence, professional development, and impactful community engagement. The MoU signing ceremony, held at Wyndham Acmar Klang Hotel, reflects UiTM's commitment to strengthening industry linkages and broadening student development opportunities. Through this collaboration, both parties will engage in mutually beneficial initiatives ranging from research and knowledge exchanges to industry-driven innovation projects. The agreement also emphasizes Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programmes designed to support social wellbeing and community empowerment across Malaysia. A momentous milestone for both institutions, UiTM becomes the first higher education institution to formalize an MoU with ACMAR FHP Group Berhad, paving the way for future collaborations between academia and industry. The MoU was signed by Professor Datuk Ts. Dr. Shahrin Sahib @ Shahibuddin, Vice-Chancellor of UiTM, and Mr. Johnson Tee, Group Executive Director of ACMAR Group, witnessed by representatives from both organizations.



*This strategic partnership is expected to provide UiTM students with valuable opportunities including internships, research involvement, entrepreneurial initiatives, and professional training while jointly championing innovation and societal well-being.*



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