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20 April 2026 – The Research and Innovation Department (JPI), Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) Shah Alam, conducted a strategic benchmarking visit to the Centre for Research and Field Services (CRAFS), Universiti Malaysia Terengganu (UMT), Kuala Nerus, Terengganu.

The UiTM delegation was led by Senior Science Officer, Ts. Ameran Saiman, together with the Head of System Development Unit (Digital Department), Ts. Mohd Azrul Amir Muhamad Tajudin, and was accompanied by Science Officers and Information Technology Officers. The delegation was warmly received by the Head of Laboratory Management Division, Mr. Asrul Azani Mahmood, together with the staff of the CRAFS Office.

The main objective of the visit was to observe and learn best practices in laboratory management, biosafety compliance, research, and innovation, while also strengthening strategic collaboration between UiTM and UMT.

Throughout the visit, the delegation was briefed on the governance of CRAFS under the Office of the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation). They were also introduced to the e-Lab Access Record (e-LAR) system, a digital platform for laboratory usage records, including monitoring of hazardous materials control and biological risk assessment. The session facilitated a productive two-way exchange of ideas towards strengthening laboratory management and biosafety practices at the university level.

As an added value, the delegation also visited the Institute of Oceanography and Environment (INOS), a Higher Institution Centre of Excellence (HiCoE) specializing in marine science research, ocean studies, and aquatic ecosystem research at UMT.

The JPI delegation extends its highest appreciation and gratitude to CRAFS management for the warm reception. This collaboration is hoped to lay a strong foundation for a continuous partnership between both institutions in the future.





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