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Assalamuala'laikum w.b.t. dan Salam Sejahtera

Tahniah dan syabas kepada semua warga UiTM Sarawak atas kejayaan mendapat persijilan ISO 9001:2000 daripada Lloyd's Register of Quality Assurance (LRQA) pada 23 September 2005. Kita amat berbangga atas kejayaan ini kerana UiTM Sarawak adalah kampus cawangan pertama yang telah dianugerahkan dengan persijilan yang bertaraf antarabangsa ini. Tetapi ini bukanlah kali pertama kita mendapat pensijilan ISO, malah sebelum ini universiti kita telah dianugerahkan persijilan ISO oleh MAMPU dan SIRIM.



Mesej Timbalan Pengarah HEA Prof Madya Dr. Fatimah Bujang

Ini bermakna kita telah lama berusaha dan mengamalkan budaya kualiti dalam sistem pengajaran dan pembelajaran di kampus kita. Anugerah ISO kali ini akan menyemarakkan lagi usaha kita ke arah universiti bertaraf dunia.

Anugerah ISO membawa makna yang besar kepada kita. Ia membuktikan bahawa UiTM Sarawak senantiasa meningkatkan usaha untuk memenuhi kehendak dan aspirasi pelanggan. Sebagai sebuah institusi pengajian tinggi, ini adalah komitmen yang paling penting untuk mempertahankan daya saing di kalangan universiti dan kolej, mahupun awam ataupun swasta, yang mana bilangannya senantiasa bertambah. Kita harus berdaya saing dari segi kualiti didalam semua aspek termasuk sistem pengajaran dan pembelajaran, kemudahan prasarana dan persekitaran yang kondusif. Hanya dengan cara ini kita boleh mencapai objektif untuk menjadi universiti pilihan pertama. Komitmen kita terhadap kualiti juga penting didalam konteks pembinaan negara. Kita bertanggungjawab untuk mengeluarkan graduan yang mempunyai personaliti unggul dan boleh menyumbang kepada pembangunan negara dengan berkesan.

Persijilan ISO juga membuktikan bahawa semua warga kampus sedar betapa pentingnya anugerah ini dan mereka tahu tentang peranan dan tanggungjawab yang dikehendaki oleh piawaian ini. Saya rasa bersyukur di atas komitmen yang tidak berbelah bagi, sokongan padu dan dedikasi yang diberikan oleh semua staf. Saya rasa terharu dengan mutu kerja dan sikap positif yang telah diberikan di dalam

persiapan untuk menghadapi dan semasa pengauditan ISO dijalankan. Saya percaya kesungguhan ini telah menjadi budaya kerja kita. Dengan ini saya yakin kita akan dapat memenuhi kehendak audit pemantauan dengan jayanya dan seterusnya mengekalkan piawaian ISO 9001:2000 di UiTM Sarawak. Walaubagaimanapun, kita jangan rasa selesa dengan kejayaan ini. Penambahbaikan harus diteruskan: Kejayaan adalah satu perjalanan yang jauh, dan bukannya satu destinasi.

Dengan kesempatan ini saya juga ingin mengingatkan semua warga kampus untuk mengambil berat tentang peperiksaan akhir yang akan menjelang. Diharap semua pihak akan menjalankan tugas dan tanggungjawab masing-masing dengan cekap dan amanah untuk memastikan peperiksaan akhir berjalan dengan lancar. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan selamat maju jaya di dalam menghadapi peperiksaan kepada semua pelajar.

Kepada rakan-rakan yang beragama Hindu dan Islam, saya ingin mengucapkan selamat menyambut Hari Deepavali dan Hari Raya Aidil Fitri. Maaf zahir batin.

Bagi pihak semua warga UiTM Sarawak, saya mengucapkan takziah kepada Perdana Menteri Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi dan keluarga atas pemergian orang yang tercinta, Datin Seri Endon Mahmood.

Explorace Machang-Pengkalan Chepa

Atikah Hj Ramli

The experience of racing against time to catch our flight to KL from UiTM Machang the day after Inter-campus Game was the one we will never forget. Tini, Su, Sap and I were supposed to set off from the campus at 7 am, in time for our 9am flight. Due to some miscommunication somewhere, we finally moved out from the campus 45 minutes later, crammed with 'ole-ole from Pangkalan Kubor' in a Wira.

The Abang driver drove like crazy heaving and muttering what not, along small kampong roads, busy with the early morning traffic. Sitting beside him was more torturous but I kept my cool and prayed silently for our safety; my foot ever ready to slam my imaginary brake! My three companions added more pressure to the stressful

journey by letting out heavy sighs, moaning the time and clucking away like chickens in distress. To ease the tension, I engaged in small talk with the driver, my eyes stealing glances at the speedometer. OOhhh my God... we're not supposed to travel at this speed at kampong roads, I screamed silently. At last we reached the airport in one piece but our problem didn't end there, it seemed...

The four of us practically jumped out of the car, frantically loaded our bags on trolleys and managed to shout our thanks to Abang F1 driver. (luckily we have the stamina from training before the game!) We ran pushing our trolleys to the AirAsia counter but it was deserted. A few MAS staff directed us to AirAsia quite a distance away and we ran again like looneys, getting amused stares along the way. Upon reaching the counter, we were told to carry all our luggage on board because the plane was done with loading and getting ready to take off. We scrambled again passed security, down flights of steps and onto the tarmac, depositing our excess luggage right under the wing of the plane. Seeing our predicament, cargo staff quickly took over. I was the last person to board the plane after making sure our luggage was tagged and loaded. Hurray...we won the race. Girls, perhaps we can race again when Explorace M'sia comes to visit Kuching??

Above the Sea - Shanghai

Dr. Lau and Hwa Tee Yong know what it is like to have the sea beneath their wings. The dynamic duo were in Shanghai and Hangzhou, China in September to jointly present their paper entitled Meta Cognitive Aspects of Problem Solving. Asked to comment on his experience above the sea (Shanghai literally means above the sea in Chinese) Dr. Lau observed,

"Unfortunately, I feel I did not learn much from the conference. The standard was way below my expectation. Most of the presenters were from Mainland China with not much presentation skills."

The duo did not walk away disappointed, though. At the conference they met up with like-minded researchers from Australia, Taiwan, Korea and mainland China who shared common interest areas and managed to set the stage for networking and collaboration. In fact plans are already afoot to collaborate with Monash University in Australia to look into relative new areas like how

culture can affect teaching and learning. According to Dr. Lau, culture can affect learning outcomes. Dr. Lau was quick to discern the similarities in Australian and Malaysian classrooms. "In Australia, immigrant teachers come from diverse cultural backgrounds and this can indirectly affect the teaching process. Likewise, in our Malaysian classrooms, we also have teachers from various cultural-ethnic backgrounds who bring with them different experiences into the classrooms. What evolves eventually is a gap between what is conveyed and what is perceived and this can affect learning outcomes."



Joys of Discovery

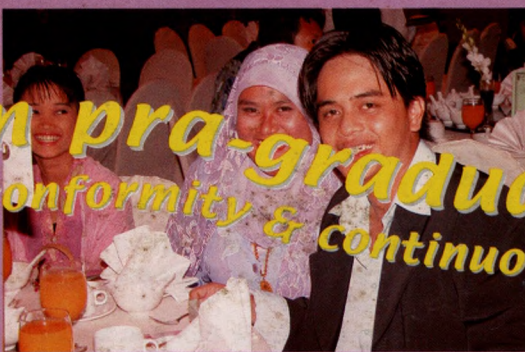
Mikhail Abdullah

On 25 August 2005, about 150 children and their minders from Pertubuhan Kebajikan Anak-Anak Yatim Malaysia (PERYATIM) paid UiTM Kota Samarahan a visit. Lecturers from the Social and Welfare committee of the Language Department organized a Treasure Hunt for

the children.

The theme of the Treasure was "The Joy of Discovery" and the participants were divided into groups of 5 to solve a series of quizzes and puzzles by using their collective knowledge of Sarawak culture and problem-solving skills which would lead them to the thrills of self-discovery.

On the whole the activity was a hit with the children. The Language Department hopes that more of such activities can be organized to enable us to do our bit for the community at large.



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