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Message from the Campus Director, UiTM SARAWAK

The New Year has arrived bringing with it new responsibilities and objectives. First of all, I wish to remind staff and students of Dato' Seri's annual themes or targets ("amanat").This year the focus is on Internationalization. Programs, seminars and paper presentations that we conduct should not only carry local but international aspects including collaboration with overseas partners. Perhaps we could go overseas or invite international guests here in our quest for joint research with regional and foreign counterparts. We could start off with neighbouring countries such as Singapore, Indonesia and Thailand. However, we need to reach out to Europe and other regions.

It needs to be stressed that Dato' Seri wants us to maintain all the previous themes ("amanat"), of the past eight years, along with the new ones of this year. We need to also think of designing student activities from an international level.

Thanks to all the staff for the strong, continuing support extended to me during the last three years, without it we could not have achieved success in all areas that UiTM Sarawak, Kampus Samarahan, up to now. The successes are seen through the new awards we have received, improved students performances and an overall improvement in quality. I have been reappointed for another term and I hope to receive an equally dedicated support.

I wish you a Happy Awal Muharram, Happy New Year and a Happy Chinese New Year.

Associate Professor Dr. Jamil Hj. Hamali
Campus Director

Sekadar Renungan.....

Hadiah yang terbaik kepada kawan ialah kesetiaan
Hadiah yang terbaik kepada musuh ialah kemaafan
Hadiah yang terbaik kepada ketua ialah khidmat
Hadiah yang terbaik kepada yang muda ialah contoh terbaik
Hadiah yang terbaik kepada yang tua ialah hayati budi mereka
Hadiah yang terbaik kepada pasangan ialah cinta dan ketaatan
Hadiah yang terbaik kepada manusia ialah kebebasan.

Dari Meja Editor

Bismillahhirrahmanirrahim…

Warga kampus yang dikasihi,

Alhamdulillah, syukur ke hadrat- Nya di atas kemunculan Info Kampus kita untuk edisi kali ini. Untuk santapan warga kampus, kami tunggak baru Info Kampus telah membuat beberapa perubahan untuk kemunculan yang julung kalinya di atas penat lelah yang telah dicurahkan selama ini. Selaku Ketua Panel Editor untuk musim ini, tidak dinafikan bahawa pelbagai cabaran, permasalahan serta dugaan yang telah dilalui dalam usaha untuk menyiapkan keluaran yang telah menjadi tradisi kampus kita untuk memaklumkan kepada semua warga kampus akan pelbagai isu serta aktiviti yang berlaku di sekeliling kita.

2007 semakin jauh meninggalkan kita, manakala tahun baru 2008 menanti di ambang dengan senyumaman yang cukup mendebarkan. Saya percaya pelbagai peristiwa pahit manis 2007 disimpan dalam lipatan kenangan untuk dijadikan iktibar dan tauladan. Yang pasti 2008 disambut dengan semangat dan inspirasi untuk menjadi yang lebih baik meskipun cabarannya semakin getir.

Di kesempatan ini juga, setinggi-tinggi terima kasih kepada mereka yang telah memberi sumbangan dari segi bahan cerita dan gambar-gambar yang menarik untuk dikongsi bersama. Kami amat menghargainya. Dan kami akan sentiasa memberi yang terbaik untuk setiap edisi yang dipaparkan sepanjang tahun ini.
Di harap keluaran kali ini dapat memberi kepuasan maksimum kepada warga kampus semua kerana hilang rasa penat dan lelah kami menghasilkan edisi ini apabila anda berpuas hati memilikinya. Bertemu lagi di edisi yang akan datang.

Salam coretan dan Selamat Tahun Baru.

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Mini Mathematics Conference 2007

By Foo Kien Kheng



Officiating Speech by the Assistant Minister in the Chief Minister's Department, Datin Hajah Fatimah Abdullah



Welcome Speech by the Koordinator Jabatan Kaedah Kuantitatif, UiTM Sarawak, En Foo Kien Kheng



Presentation of souvenir to the minister

The last mini mathematics conference organized by Jabatan Kaedah Kuantitatif, UiTM Sarawak was held at Santubong Kuching Resort from 5-7 May 2005. It was a successful outing for the department and this year it extended its invitation to researchers outside of Sarawak campus. This year's theme was Bridging Theory, Research And Practice In Mathematics And Mathematics Education. The objectives of the mini conference among others were:

i) To provide an opportunity for the mathematics department of the campus and mathematics educators in and around Kuching to share, discuss and learn about the latest development in mathematics and mathematics education.

ii) To enhance the academic linkages between the lecturers in UiTM Sarawak and academicians outside of this state.

iii) To strengthen the cooperation and understanding among members of the department and also the staff of UiTM Sarawak. This year's mini conference was held at Galeri Pameran, Pustaka Negeri Sarawak on 25 June 2007 after many months of preparation. The hardwork and sacrifices paid off. It was one of the more successful and meaningful events organized by the department. This year's conference was officiated by Datin Hajah Fatimah Abdullah, Assistant Minister in the Chief Minister's Department.

The papers presented on that day are listed below:

No	Topics	Presenter (*)	Institution
1	Engineering Mathematics – Bridging between mathematical theory and engineering practice - Experience in UTHM	Mr. Phang Chang(*) Mr. Phang Piau	UTHM
2	Teaching Statistical Inference to Non Statistics Majors in UiTM Sarawak: Problems and Solutions	Mr. Foo Kien Kheng (*) Dr. Tang Howe Eng	UiTMKS
3	Confidence Testing: An Alternative to Traditional Number Right?	Mr. Lau Sie Hoe(*) Dr. Paul Lau Ngee Kiong Mdn. Ling Siew Eng	UiTMKS
4	Assessing Validity and Reliability of Mathematics Examination Paper using Rasch Model	Mdn. Ling Siew Eng(*) Mr. Lau Sie Hoe Mr. Liew Khim Sen	UiTMKS
5	Does Performance Assessment Really Make a Difference in Assessing Students' Mathematics Achievement?	Mr. Hwa Tee Yong(*) Dr. Lim Chap Sam	USM
6	Year 5 Pupils' Operation Sense: 'Process Tracing' from year 5 pupils' strategies & justifications in solving word problems	Mr. Gan We Ling (*) Munirah Ghazali	USM
7	Using Games to Power Teaching and Learning of mathematics	Cik Jamilah Mohd Shariff(*) Cik Sumarni Bt Abu Bakar	FTMSK
8	Kaedah Pilihan Dalam Menyelesaikan Masalah Fungsi Linear Di Kalangan Pelajar Diploma	Cik Sumarni Abu Bakar(*)	FTMSK
9	An Exploratory Study On The Effect Of Teaching And Learning Of Mathematics Using English	Dr. Paul Lau Ngee Kiong Mr. Hwa Tee Yong Mr Lau Sie Hoe (*)	UiTMKS

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to All



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