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PROBLEM-BASED LEARNING (PBL) FACILITATOR TRAINING WORKSHOP

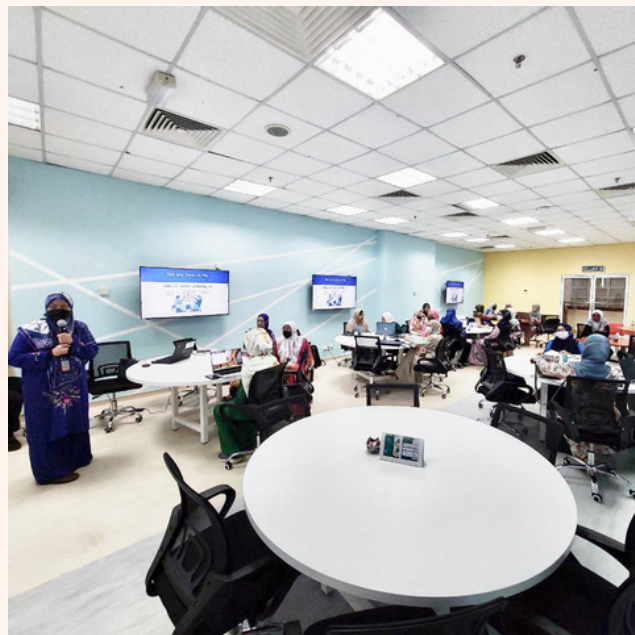
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On the 8th of February 2023, the Department of Medical Education (DoME) successfully conducted a PBL Facilitator Training Workshop which was held in the Smart Classroom. The workshop was attended by 37 PBL facilitators. The workshop aims to coach the facilitators on the correct way of facilitating PBL sessions.

The workshop was divided into three main sessions. The first session covers the DOs and DON'Ts of PBL, given by a very experienced speaker on this topic, Prof. Dr. Musalmah Mazlan. In this lecture, the attendees were taught the roles of a facilitator, and things a facilitator must avoid doing while overseeing a PBL session. The second session is a hands-on session on how to do a concept map. The attendees were first given a short briefing by Prof. Musalmah and then they were divided into smaller groups of 6.



The attendees were tasked to construct a concept map on a topic of their choosing. After about an hour of constructing the concept map, each group presented its concept map. The concept maps were commented on by Prof. Musalmah and each group was given feedback on how to improve them.



After the lunch break, the workshop continued with the final session which covers feedback in PBL. This session was given by Dr. Mohammad Arif Kamarudin, an invited speaker from the Department of Medical Education, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia. As feedback is an important component of PBL, the attendees were enlightened about the types of feedback during and after PBL.

Feedback will only be beneficial and constructive if done correctly, and this has been the main point of the lecture. All the attendees agree that the workshop has been useful and managed to boost their understanding on becoming an effective PBL facilitator. DoME will have this workshop as an annual event so that more facilitators will be trained.

