A STUDY ON CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT AT UITM SARAWAK BRANCH SAMARAHAN CAMPUS



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Dear Assoc. Prof. Dr. Norsaadah,

REPORT ON 'A STUDY ON CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT AT UITMSBSC'

On 15 September 2000, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Abdul Rahman Deen, Provost, UiTMSBSC, instructed me to carry out a research on classroom management at UiTMSBSC and to submit the findings and recommendations.

I am pleased to submit three copies of the report entitled 'A Study on Classroom Management at UiTMSBSC'.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

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ABSTRACT

This is a study on classroom management at UiTMSBSC. The study used the classroom timetables for the semester June – November 2000. The report starts with an overview of programmes and classrooms available at UiTMSBSC. It follows with analyses of the data collected from the timetables and observations of classrooms. Overall, it was found that the shortage of classrooms could be overcome by merging certain groups from the same programmes based on student numbers. Further, the management of classrooms can be improved by combining the common courses being offered to different programmes, continuous monitoring of the utilisation of classroom space by a centralised unit, and computerisation and networking of all timetables.

CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.0 Introduction

UiTM provides education and training in a wide range of science, technology, business studies and other professional courses for over 60,000 full-time students, above 5000 part-time students and about 9,000 students in distance learning programmes in different campuses spread over the whole country. UiTM Sarawak Branch, Samarahan Campus (UiTMSBSC) is one of the two branch campuses functioning in East Malaysia for the education, economic and social development of Bumiputeras in Sarawak and Sabah.

UiTMSBSC started in the year 1973 at a small campus located at Batu Lintang. With the yearly increase in the number of programmes and enrolment, the initial campus at Batu Lintang was not sufficient in catering to the needs of the students. As a result, the campus was shifted to Semenggok. In fact, the campus has shifted three times (Batu Lintang → Semenggok → Semariang → Kota Samarahan) and the present location of the campus at Kota Samarahan has been under operation since 1997.

With the conversion of ITM into University Technology MARA (UiTM) in the year 1999, higher level programmes are being introduced to reflect the status of a University, such as *eMBA*, BBA (Hons.) Marketing, BBA (Hons.) Finance and B.Accountancy.