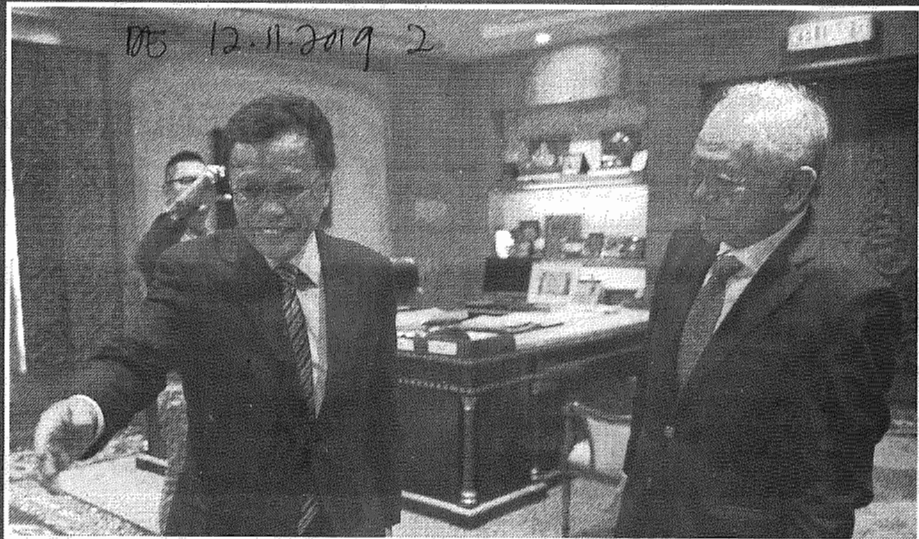


# TNB Chairman calls on CM

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CHIEF Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal (left) welcoming Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) Chairman Tan Sri Leo Moggie who paid a courtesy call on him in his office at the State Administrative Centre in Kota Kinabalu, Monday.

Meanwhile, University Malaysia Sabah (UMS) Vice-Chancellor Professor Datuk Dr Taufiq Yap Yun Hin also paid a courtesy call on Shafie on Monday.

Dr Yap said UMS is committed to helping the Government to conserve wildlife and prevent species extinction.

He said research was being undertaken continuously, especially to breed Sumatran rhinoceros. There is only one female left in Sabah.

"We had tried to breed the species (via in-vitro fertilisation - IVF) recently but failed.

"However, we will try again and obtain the sperm from other males, for the fertilisation process," he said.

UMS had before this offered its facility in Sandakan for the IVF process on Sept 30, involving the female rhino, Iman.

Scientists had used frozen sperm taken from a male rhino called Tam before it died in May.

Yap said the courtesy call was in conjunction with the UMS 21st Convocation and 25th anniversary celebration, to be held from Nov 23 to 25.

A total of 4,157 graduates will receive their scrolls at the ceremony, to be held at the Chancellor Hall.