

UMS, UniMAP to share agriculture, agrotechnology expertise

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SANDAKAN: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) signed a Letter of Intention (LoI) with Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UniMAP) at the Sustainable Agriculture Faculty (FPL), UMS Sandakan that will see the sharing of expertise in the field of agriculture and agrotechnology.

UMS Vice-Chancellor Professor Datuk Dr Kasim Mansor said that the agriculture field plays an important role in ensuring food readiness and adequacy remain at a safe level in line with the issue of food security.

"Research specialists in the faculty of sustainable agriculture are constantly working to think of new strategies and innovation to help agro operators to increase their production and raise national food security.

"It is hoped that with the opportunity and cooperation that is signed with UniMAP, we can move a step forward by carrying out the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between both universities, hence all expertise from both parties can be shared together," he said at the 2023 Titian Kasih programme at FPL recently.

Kasim represented UMS in the LoI signing ceremony while UniMAP was represented by its Vice Chancellor, Professor Dato



Kasim (left) exchanging documents with Zaliman, witnessed by Raja Muda Perlis.

Dr Zaliman Sauli.

Also present to witness the ceremony was Perlis Raja Muda Tuanku Syed Faizuddin Putra Ibnu Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin Jamalullail who is also UniMAP Chancellor.

"UniMAP is famous in engineering technology. It is hoped to be able to help UMS to increase its expertise in engineering, perhaps in terms of

agriculture technology, fertilizer, planting and others that involve mechanical engineering.

"Through collaborating and working between UniMAP and UMS, all vision and mission are capable of being materialised.

"UMS and UniMAP agreed to develop the cooperation in the research projects, publication and development of the academic," he said.

He also said that information exchanges, faculty members, students, community service, seminar organisation, training and courses, supervision of post graduate students and any other cooperation that will be agreed together are also included in the cooperation.

Also present at the event was Perlis Menteri Besar Mohd Shukri Ramli.