



Taufiq (fourth from right) with the award recipients.

UMS presents awards to staff, retirees

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) celebrated 555 of its staff and retirees at the UMS Excellence Award (AKU) 2022 event held at the Dewan Resital on Wednesday.

Of the total, 160 were recipients of the Excellence Service Award, 76 received the Innovation Award, and 18 were recipients of the 'Jasamu DiKenang' Award.

The event also celebrated 18 staff who have served for 25 years where they received the Sanjungan Budi Award, 71 others who served for 20 years received the Jasa Setia Award, and 212 staff serving 10 years received the Jasa Bakti Award.

The award ceremony was launched by the Vice Chancellor, Professor Datuk Dr Taufiq Yap Yun Hin.

Also present were UMS registrar who is also the chairman of the AKU organising committee for 2022, Luqman Ridha Anwar, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Students Affairs and Alumni), Professor Madya Dr Raman Noordin, treasurer Badrul Hisham Ismail and UMS

legal advisor, Awang Suhaizam Bungso.

In his speech, Taufiq said that UMS must set its aspiration and determination, in line with the S.W.I.F.T. principle highlighted by the Chief Secretary, Tan Sri Mohd Zuki Ali.

"The principle which is speed, world class knowledge, inspirational, flexible and technology-based is five of the critical characteristics that must be adopted into the mind and action of civil servants.

"In relation to that, I would like to urge that the UMS family always has the sense of urgency to act swiftly without delay in every task they are entrusted with.

"This is in line with the first value which is speed to realise the aspiration of the government that places importance on performance and focused on the people among the government servants," he said.

Taufiq said that the second value that should be followed is to acquire world class knowledge to ensure the implementation

of tasks not only follows one's personal perspective but also the best practices from locally and abroad as benchmarks.

"The third value is inspirational whereby civil servants must always inspire and motivate their subordinates to create a harmonious environment and conducive working environment for every staff.

"UMS officers must also be flexible especially when facing challenging situations in service delivery such as the fourth value of S.W.I.F.T which is flexible.

"And the fifth and last value is technology-based, whereby all UMS staff must inculcate technology based value in implementing every task at the office to ensure speedy and comprehensive service delivery," he said.

Taufiq also congratulated all the award recipients at the ceremony.

"May you always succeed and create creative and innovative ideas and strive to excel during the length of your service at this university," he said.