About 50,000 Visitors Thronged KPTN 2015

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MONDAY, 13 APRIL – Approximately 50,000 visitors thronged the 11th National Higher Education Carnival (KPTN) "Jom Masuk IPT" which ended yesterday at the Parade Ground (Padang Kawad), Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS).

The closing ceremony was officiated on Saturday by the Chief Minister of Sabah cum Pro-Canselor of UMS, Datuk Seri Panglima Musa Hj. Aman.

In his speech, he said the state required human capital resources who excell in academics and who had superior

moral and personality to spur development in confronting the challenges of globalisation.

"Along with that, the institution must be competitive and resilient so as to be in a group of the world's best universities," he said.

He said, the efforts to uplift the capability of learning centres should continue to be strengthened to carry out its functions and responsibilities effectively towards creating an excellent higher education system.

"Indded, the Sabah Government and its people appreciate the commitment and contributions of the staff of the Ministry of Education in its effort to democratise higher education and produce graduates to meet the needs of the workforce.

"TheState Government also welcomes the entry or opening of many branches of public universities in the country as an effort to make Sabah the hub for education and higher learning," he added.

Also present was UMS Vice-Chancellor, Professor Datuk Dr. Mohd Harun Abdullah.

The two-day carnival was participated by some 150 booths of higher learning institutions and relevant agencies from all over the country. – *ZMD* (*fl*)

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