

Community Activities Help Build Self-esteem

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THURSDAY, 6 FEBRUARY – Recognising the importance of student involvement in community activities, a group of Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) students responded the call by joining a trip Tanjung Labian Village, Lahad Datu recently.

The programme which was jointly organised by FELDA Publicity Unit was participated by eight students of UMS and was aimed at training them in reaching out to the rural community besides extending various forms of humanitarian assistance.

According to the Head of Publicity Sabah, Asmarah Rikun; the visit indirectly helped build their self-esteem to be more responsible and sensitive toward community issues.

“Counselling sessions which were conducted by psychology students of UMS with the local residents helped eased their burden in terms of their, to some extent,” he said.

Meanwhile, Deputy Vice-Chancellor of Student Affairs and Alumni, Assoc. Prof. Datuk Dr. Hj Kasim Hj Md Mansur when contacted by Chancellery media said the university had always hoped that students would continue to contribute in social activities.

“The involvement of all students in such activities could teach the young people to appreciate the harmony and sovereignty of our country,” he added.

During the programme, UMS students distributed goods from various non-governmental organisations (NGOs) to the residents of Tanjung Labian Village besides the opportunity to visit the Control Camps of the Malaysian Army based in the area. – *ZMD (FL)*

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