

Cultural Activities Deter Social Problems Among Young

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WEDNESDAY, 05 MARCH – The young generation plays an important role in fostering and heighten cultural activities among the community which is progressing into modernisation.

Cultural heritage and traditions of our ancestors which were seen to be sidelined should be given due attention so as to continue their legacy down to the next generation.

Hence, the Minister of Local Government and Housing Sabah, Datuk Seri Panglima Haji Hajji Mohd. Noor said the state government was committed and supportive of any activities organised by undergraduates, including that of culture and arts.

“The talent that the undergraduates has should be developed in addition to the organising of various cultural programmes to test their ability in showing their talents,” he said when opening the Malaysian Universities Cultural Festival (FESTKUM) 2014 recently.

He said participation from the young generation in cultural activities would prevent them from getting involve with social problems.

Earlier, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Affairs and Alumni) Universiti Sultan Zainal Abidin (UniSZA) who is the Organising Chairman, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Nik Wan Omar said FESTKUM exposes the students and the community about culture and arts reflecting the various image and customs of the ethnics groups in Malaysia.

FESTKUM applied three components in its programme which are presentation, workshops and community activities that are capable in forming their self-esteem. – *ZMD (FL)*

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