Teach Students To Think and Be More Practical: BOD Chairman

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TUESDAY, 20 AUGUST – The new Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) Chairman of the Board of Directors, Tun Dato' Seri Zaki Tun Azmi urged academic staff of UMS to educate students to be forward thinking and more practical.

He said the responsibility of educating the new generation especially university students should be shouldered by academicians so as to produce a generation that is able to contribute to the nation.

"Today, majority of those studying at the university are there because they want to aim for a higher pay, but are not interested in what they are doing. We should change this thinking," he said at a function with UMS academicians last night. Also present was UMS Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Datuk Dr. Mohd Harun Abdullah, members of the Board of Directors and principal officers of the University.

Tun Zaki said that lecturers should teach their students how to implement those knowledge learned to their everyday lives or in the working world in future.

"Theoretical knowledge in itself is useless if not practiced" he stressed and emphasised that academicians should set their own Key Performance Indicators (KPI).

More than 200 lecturers were present at the function.

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