

UMS to Study Effectiveness of Wuhan's Covid-19 Test Kit



KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) has been entrusted to conduct a study on the effectiveness and accuracy of China's Covid-19 test kit.

The test kit is issued by a leading company based in Wuhan.

The study is a collaboration between the university and Sabah-China Commercial Chamber (SCCC) to assist in combating the current situation of the Covid-19 pandemic in the state.

SCCC secretary general Tan Kok Jyh, in a statement, said the test kit is different from the ones currently used to conduct Covid-19 screening.

The collaboration would further nurture research and development activities that can benefit the community.

"We are concerned about the situation in Sabah.

"In this regard, we have obtained a Covid-19 test kit from a company in China for study.

"UMS is the first university we are giving the test kit to because we know this university has enough capacity, equipment and expertise for this purpose," he said.

Tan presented the China-made Covid-19 test kit to UMS vice-chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Taufiq Yap Yun Hin at the varsity's Medical and Health Sciences Faculty yesterday.

He noted such joint efforts formed with UMS would further strengthen the relationship between SCCC and the local university. In extending his appreciation, Taufiq said the varsity looked forward to this good collaboration especially when Sabah is badly affected by the pandemic.

"We in UMS are proud and honoured to be chosen to conduct this study," he said, adding that they hoped the collaboration would continue.

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