UMS New Student Intake Increases to 4,579

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MONDAY, 29 AUGUST – Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) new student admission increased to 4,579 for the 2016/2017 academic session, a slight increase from 4,481 compared to the previous session.

According to the Vice-Chancellor, Professor Datuk Dr. Mohd Harun Abdullah, 47% were from Sabah.

"Out of this number, 2,107 students are from Sabah, while 52 percent are from Peninsular Malaysia and Sarawak with 1,927 and 377 students respectively.

"The rest are international students totalling 168 from several countries including China, Brunei, Germany, South Africa, Indonesia, Tanzania, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Jordan, Korea, Vanuatu and Timor Leste," he said.

He explained that the admission for international students increased by 30 persons compared to the previous record of 138.

"This increase is due to the active promotion internationally by the university through education fairs in attracting foreign students to study in UMS.

"UMS also collaborates with external parties and other agents to promote and get more international students to

come to UMS," he said.

He added that a total of 13 special needs students (OKU) were also admitted to UMS besides 100 places reserved for students who were from the bottom 40% of household income (B40) through its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) UMS.

"This CSR is an initiative of UMS in fulfilling its responsibilities to ensure that poor students could continue their studies to university level," he said. -(fl)