## SEMEGA Familiarise Student to University Life

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Selangkah ke Menara Gading' or 'A Step to the Ivory Tower' programme organised by the Student Representatives Council (MPP) Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) was meant to educate students on the actual life in university. besides motivating them to strive in getting a place at the ivory tower.

Assistant Minister of Tourism, Culture and Environment Sabah, Datuk Kamarlin Ombi said, such programme

was academic-like, motivational in nature with a touch of leadership quality that would be beneficial to participants and a motivation to them.

"I hope such programme would be an encouragement especially to students of secondary schools to develop and prepare themselves.

"It is hoped that this programme would be an inspiration to the students to strive for excellence for themselves, the university and the country in general," he said when closing the programme at the Main Lecture Hall 2, UMS, yesterday.

His speech was read by the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Environment, Datu Rosmadi Datu Sulai.

He also hoped that the participants of SEMEGA would continue in their struggle to gain knowledge to achieve their dreams of stepping into university.

The three-day SEMEGA programme saw a total of 177 students from 15 schools throughout the state converged

at UMS to participate in the various activities planned, which included motivational camp, group trainings and so on.

Also present at the closing ceremony of the SEMEGA programme were the Assistant Director of the State Education Department, Datuk Dr. Mohd Kassim Mohd Ibrahim, and Head of Student Affairs Department, Azmi Jumat. -MA (fl)