

UMS Will Soon Ban Plastic Bottles

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WEDNESDAY, 02 JULY – Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will soon ban the use of plastic bottles.

This was expressed by the Director of EcoCampus Management Centre, Dr. Awangku Hassanah Bahar bin Pengiran Bagul in an interview with reporters after the launch of an educational talk today.

He said it was an effort to realise UMS efforts towards becoming an EcoCampus university.

“Through the collaboration with cleaning companies in the campus, it was found that plastic mineral water bottles contributes as the third highest waste in the university after papers and plastic bags.

“Therefore, we will strive to reduce and eventually eliminate the use of this bottle and encourage the use of water bottle that can be refilled,” he added.

Dr. Hassanah also revealed that he had held a discussion with UMS Cooperative (Koperasi UMS) to sell refillable bottles at a price below the RM10.00 price tag besides selling mineral water bottles with the PET logo.

It was an effort to inculcate the practice of nature conservation, which is a responsibility of all UMS community setting an example to other communities of all levels.

“This means that plastic mineral water bottles will not be allowed into any activities organised,” he concluded. – SS (fl)

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