

UMS-RCOMM Create Awareness

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Electronic waste (e-waste) is growing in an alarming rate and is a worrying trend as it would bring adverse impact on society and the environment.

Thus, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) in collaboration with the Recycle Community Malaysia (RCOMM) Borneo Centre took a proactive step by organising an e-waste campaign to create awareness among students.

Minister of Tourism, Culture and Environment Sabah, Datuk Seri Panglima Masidi Manjun said, Malaysia might face a serious problem if e-Waste was not systematically

managed.

“Every year electronic producers profit from their products. I think it’s time the government formulate policies that producers are to be responsible for those goods,” he stressed when met after the opening ceremony of the campaign.

Meanwhile, the Vice-Chancellor of UMS, Prof. Datuk Dr. Mohd. Harun Abdullah said, the awareness campaign was the first step for this EcoCampus university to address the problem of e-Waste dumping in future.

“This cooperation programme between UMS and RCOMM in addressing the issue of e-Waste dumping would create a sustainable community in general,” he said. His speech was read by the Dean of the School of Engineering and Information Technology, Assoc. Prof. Dr. Rosalam Sarbatly.

Also present at the function was the Secretary-General, Miza Pawan Chik. – *FL*

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