

## 'Qasidah Tinta' In Honour of Former Dean

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**FRIDAY, 28 NOVEMBER** – Centre for the Promotion of Knowledge and Language Learning (PPIB) Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) recently launched a *festschrift* as a token of appreciation to the former dean of the centre, Prof. Dr. Ahmat Adam.

*Festschrift* was an academic project of PPIB and aimed at honouring the deeds of the honouree and his contributions to the scholarly field both in national and international levels.

According to the dean of PPIB, Prof. Dr. Vincent Pang, the *festschrift* entitled 'Qasidah Tinta' reflected the interest of Prof. Dr. Ahmat who used writing as a way to contribute towards the field of knowledge and changing the mindset of society.

The said *festschrift* contained 15 papers contributed by friends and former students of the professor from within and outside the country involving the field of history, social sciences and humanities.

Prof. Dr. Ahmat Adam was awarded the Johan Setia Mahkota (JSM) in 2002 for his dedication in contributing towards the development, and strengthening of higher education in the country.

The *festschrift* of Qasidah Tinta was held at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, PPIB Meeting Room and was attended by more than 100 people consisting of staff and students of the centre. – ZMD

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