

## Speech

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At the official opening ceremony of 1st Technical Talk & SHELL Exploration Game 2008 (SHELL-UMS: Campus Ambassador Programme), 24th October 2008, Friday, 08.30 am, Gallery, Level 3, Chancellery Building, Universiti Malaysia Sabah, Kota Kinabalu; officiated and hosted by YBhg Kol. Prof. Datuk Dr. Kamaruzaman Hj. Ampon, Vice-Chancellor, Universiti Malaysia Sabah

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YBrs. Prof. Madya Dr. Jumat Sulaiman, Deputy Dean (Academic & International Affairs), SST

Guest Speakers

Shell (M) Berhad Representative

SHELL-UMS: Campus Ambassador Programme Committee Members

Saudara Rodeano Hj. Roslee

Chairman 1st Technical Talk & SHELL Exploration Game 2008 (SHELL-UMS: Campus Ambassador Programme)

All Participants and Students.

Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatu and Salam Sejahtera

First and foremost, I would like to express my appreciation and thanks to the organisers for inviting me to officiate the opening ceremony for the 1st Technical Talk & SHELL Exploration Game 2008 (Collaboration between the SHELL-UMS: Campus Ambassador Programme). I would also like to thank Shell (M) Berhad Representatives for attending this opening ceremony as well as sponsoring for this particular programme. And to the Saudara Rodeano Hj. Roslee; Chairman 1st Technical Talk & SHELL Exploration Game 2008 (SHELL-UMS: Campus Ambassador Programme) with HEP, UMS teams (especially Puan Rohani Abdullah) and Geology Club Students, I would like to congratulate all of you for successfully organising this programme in collaboration with Shell.

I was informed that this three days occasion session is principally held to promote and aiming at promoting the development and dissemination of information on Oil and Gas application techniques and related technology and promoting cooperation among members and other organizations of similar objectives.

Some of the objectives of this programme are exposing the geology students on exploration and practical application, building intrapersonal skills, building self-esteem as a geologist and also to establish a unity between the students and the Shell representatives. Indeed, I am very proud of your achievement so far and I would want this programme to improve each individual as planned where students can apply class-room based knowledge learnt. I believed and pray that all of these objectives will successfully achieve.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is the first event in this year whereby SHELL and UMS have collaboration through the SHELL-UMS Campus Ambassador programme. SHELL being one of the powerhouses in oil and gas industry. Through the technical talks by the invited SHELL guest speakers, envisions in giving especially to the UMS Geology students latest information and knowledge on high end technologies available at the moment in oil and gas industry. Also, through this technical talks hope to create exposure realistic working environment where invited SHELL guest speakers are able to share their experiences knowledge or transfer their skills.

Through the SHELL Exploration Games (SEG) for 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> October 2008, 70 of second year Geology students will participate in this game. This is a simulation of the real oil exploration where students are required to interpret seismic data, produce the geological map, present the result findings and prepare the project report among other tasks. Winners will be presented with a fully-supported trip to attend the International Conference on Petroleum 2008 at Convention Centre in Kuala Lumpur.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Not only is this programme for the students' benefits, I hope that the UMS lecturers themselves (especially Geology lecturers) would take this opportunity to involve and participate in the various activities in oil and gas industries for research purposes, not just locally but internationally as well. I am confident that the knowledge and experience shared by the Shell teams will enlighten both students and lecturers. This 1st Technical Talk & SHELL Exploration Game 2008 is also a not-to-miss chance for students to acquire career tips. Therefore, I wholeheartedly support and encourage students to make full use of the information gained from this programme.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

This event also encourages cooperation between two different organisations. The collaboration between UMS and Shell will be a very good opportunity to expose the capabilities of various students as well

as ignite the passion of learning critically and creatively through the SHELL-UMS: Campus Ambassador Programme leader by Mr. Stephen Pang (SHELL (M) Berhad) & Prof. Dr. Amran Ahmed (UMS). In future, I would like to urge the geology students to organise more of such programmes as it provides endless benefits and information. For examples, Shell's participation in the Geology Club's activities will be able to expose students on real life experiences. I hope we will be able to organise more of such events for the other various schools in UMS. These such programme aspires to be one of the geology students' stepping stone in knowing life as a geologist in a whole. Throughout this programme, I pray that all the participants will benefited from this interesting event. Being close to the trained geologist and experienced figures from Shell (M) Bhd allows all of students to get the real view on the working life and update information in the world of modern geology. With added experience and up-to-date information, I truly believe that these students are ready to become future successful geologists.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I was informed that Shell (M) Bhd in this today morning will present the research grant for our 4 final year geology students to do their thesis projects under supervised by our experienced geology lecturers. I as a UMS representative want to say thank you and very appreciate for the sponsorship awarded. I hope this sponsorship will be continuously awarded for our future students. For the supervisors and students awarded, I hope you'll do the research as good in order to achieve and recognized as world class research standard.

Hereby, again I would like to congratulate SHELL-UMS: Campus Ambassador Programme teams and Geology Club of UMS students for the success in organising this programme and thus, officiating the programme.

Thank you and Wabillahitaufig Walhidayah

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