

'UMS postgraduates can contribute in forming Madani society'

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KOTA KINABALU: Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities postgraduate students have the ability to contribute in forming a Madani (civilised) society, said Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) vice chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Kasim Mansor.

He said this when launching the 2023 International Postgraduate Seminar in Social Sciences and Humanities at the university on Wednesday with the title of "Social Sciences and Humanities in the Construction of a Civilised Society".

"The theme is very fitting because this seminar has raised and recognised the contribution of social sciences and humanities to the current situation which is full of various changes and challenges.

"In other words, as Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities postgraduate students you are able to be contributors to help the government to form a Madani (civilised) society.

"Madani concept emphasises the aspect of cooperation and transparent governance in the implementation of existing policies.

"Transparency is very important because it touches on integrity and good governance,"



Dr Kasim (second left) handing over a souvenir to one of the the speakers at the 2023 International Postgraduate Seminar in Social Sciences and Humanities, Prof Dr Singgih Tri Sulistyono.

he said.

Dr Kasim also said through the 'construction' of Madani society, the country will be able to produce a developed and highly civilised Malaysian society.

"The management of UMS is always committed to providing the best platform for postgraduate students to share knowledge through various mediums such as conferences, workshops, forums and seminars like this.

"The empowerment of knowledge will open up space and opportunities for postgraduate students to share about their respective research in order to multiply ideas in producing quality research.

"At the same time, it is hoped that this seminar will also be able to further increase the motivation of postgraduate students to produce more research and innovation in the future, in addition to being able to build external collaboration

networks with fellow researchers from other universities," he added.

Dr Kasim also expressed his appreciation to the History Programme for successfully publishing a book entitled "Two countries with one history, a Malaysia-Indonesia historical journey" which was produced through joint research collaboration with Diponegoro University, Semarang, Indonesia.

The book was also launched during the event.