

Sabah campus to stop intake

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THE Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) branch campus in Kota Kinabalu, Sabah, faces the prospect of closure or being moved to Bangi when its last batch of 400 students complete their studies.

UKM Vice-Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Sham Sani said the university would cease taking in new students for two of its faculties and would allow the remaining students to complete their courses before making a decision.

The two faculties are Science and Natural Resources, and Development Science.

Speaking to reporters after signing a memorandum of understanding (MOU) between UKM and Indonesia's Bogor Agricultural Institute, Dr Sham said UKM was willing to offer all the facilities available, including its 73 academic staff, to the proposed university in university. The Indonesian institute was represented by its rector, Prof Dr Satinala Arsyad at the signing.

Dr Sham said the agreement was the second to be signed by UKM with an Indonesian tertiary institution, the first being with Universiti Jajaran in Bandung on cooperation in culture-related fields.

The MOU signed yesterday entailed cooperation and knowledge-sharing in the academic fields such as education, journalism, arts and academic staff and student exchange. — Bernama



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