



PROUD MOMENT... Dr. Kassim posing with his wife Puan Joharah Abdullah shortly after the convocation last Saturday.

Education officer conferred PhD

KOTA KINABALU: Adults can now fulfil their dreams of attaining higher tertiary qualifications without leaving their jobs via distance learning, says Dr. Kassim Mohd Ibrahim who was conferred Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) during the recent 5th University Malaysia Sabah Convocation last Saturday.

Married to Puan Joharah Abdullah, who is the principal of SMK Taman Tun Fuad, he attributed his success to the support of his family and self-discipline.

Dr Kassim is attached to the State Education Department, said he followed a strict regimen of time management.

"Studying and working simultaneously is very challenging," he said.

"The good thing is I can apply what I learn immediately to the working environment."

Dr. Kassim completed his Masters at the University Putera Malaysia (UPM) from 1996 to 1998.

In Sept 1999 he started to embark full time on his Ph.D programme.

"Age does not stand in the way of reaching our goals if we have the determination," said Dr. Kassim.