



Masidi taking a selfie with the UMS students at the forum.

Masidi engages UMS students at open dialogue forum

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KOTA KINABALU: More than 500 students gathered at Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) for an open dialogue forum titled 'Destinasi SMJ Anak Muda 2.0', featuring Sabah's Minister of Finance, Datuk Seri Masidi Manjun, on Saturday.

The forum, organised by Institut Kerjasama Kerajaan dan Rakyat (IKRAR), Chief Minister's Department, provided a platform for students to voice their concerns, share ideas and gain insights into the State Government's policies and development plans.

IKRAR director Azrul bin

Ibrahim moderated the forum where issues discussed include solving UMS water supply, Sabah's current economic direction, student welfare and the job market.

Masidi assured the students that the government is committed to addressing their concerns, especially in areas that directly impact youth and education.

"We are listening. The concerns of our youth - whether it's water, education or job opportunities, are not falling on deaf ears. The government is committed to real, tangible

solutions.

"The energy and ideas shared today reaffirm my belief that Sabah is in good hands. Our youth are not just the leaders of tomorrow - they are already playing their crucial roles today," he said.

Masidi also encouraged young Sabahans to remain engaged, informed, and involved in shaping the future of the State.

The session was well-received, with many students expressing appreciation for the opportunity to speak directly with a senior member of the Cabinet.