



The guests after the opening of Penerbit UMS Bookstore.

UMS launches new bookstore to promote reading culture

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS), through its publishing arm Penerbit UMS, officially opened a new bookstore on Tuesday to cultivate a culture of knowledge and encourage reading among the university community and the public.

The bookstore, located at the Centre for the Promotion of Knowledge and Language Learning (PPIB), was launched by UMS Vice-Chancellor Professor Datuk Dr Kasim Hj Mansor.

He said the facility is more than just a place to buy and sell books, but also a centre

for knowledge that showcases intellectual works, including those produced by the university community.

"This bookstore is expected to grow into a hub for scholarly exchange through programmes such as book launches, publishing exhibitions and intellectual discourses.

"It is a strategic step to nurture a culture of knowledge within the campus and beyond," he said.

The modern-concept bookstore offers academic publications, scholarly journals, general reading materials, popular titles, as well as

children's books. It also features a "University Authors' Corner" to highlight the works of UMS students and staff.

Penerbit UMS Director Associate Professor Dr Patricia Matanjun said the bookstore provides easy access to quality reading materials and serves as a bridge of knowledge for the community.

Also present were UMS Registrar Luqman Ridha Anwar, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research and Innovation) Professor Ir Dr Rosalam Hj Sarbatly, and PPIB Dean Professor Datuk Dr Ismail Ali.