



The opening ceremony of UMS Orientation Week for new students of the 2025/2026 Session at the Chancellor Hall.

UMS will not tolerate bullying culture — Vice-Chancellor

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) has stressed that it will not tolerate any form of bullying culture within its campus community, whether physical, mental, emotional or online.

Its Vice-Chancellor, Professor Datuk Dr Kasim Hj Mansor, said the university takes the issue seriously as it could affect students' safety, wellbeing and harmony on campus.

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said.

He said this when delivering his welcoming address at the opening ceremony of the Orientation Week for new students of the 2025/2026 Session at the UMS Chancellor Hall on Monday.

According to him, bullying culture should not exist among students, who should be focusing on academic achievement, self-development and building character as knowledgeable and

virtuous individuals.

"Remember, you came here not to bring down your friends, but to rise together towards success," he added.

He also assured that UMS is always attentive to students' welfare and main concerns, including basic facilities such as water supply at residential colleges.

"Any infrastructure-related issues will be addressed immediately to ensure students

can fully focus on their studies without being disrupted by basic needs.

"UMS currently records a graduate employability rate of 94.7 per cent in 2024, with 93.9 per cent of graduates securing employment after completing their studies.

"This achievement proves UMS' commitment to producing high-quality and competitive graduates who are capable of contributing to society, industry and the nation," he said.

For the current academic session, a total of 5,123 new students have been offered places at UMS, making them part of the university's large family which has produced over 91,000 graduates since its establishment in 1994.