

UMS' Merdeka feat set to break record in Borneo cruise

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah is set to etch its name in the Malaysia Book of Records (MBR) for the longest convoy drive conducted by an institute of higher learning in a travel-'round-Borneo feat.

The convoy would be traveling across Brunei, Sarawak and subsequently end its journey at Pontianak, Kalimantan, Indonesia.

Vice-Chancellor of UMS, Prof Datuk Dr Mohd Noh Dalimin flagged off the convoy, here, Tuesday.

The Kembara Merdeka Convoy is an annual event organised by UMS students as an expression of their appreciation towards independence.

Apart from that, the convoy was aimed at exposing participants on the importance of unity between the various races in Malaysia as well as that of other communities from neighbouring countries particularly Brunei and Indonesia.

Dr Mohd Noh, in his address, reminded participants that they are not only acting as ambassadors to the university but also to the country.

He said they would be able to see and learn new experiences on culture and diversity in languages on the places they would visit.

"You (students) should take this opportunity and treat it as an overseas experience that can make you more matured," he said.

At the same time, he also cautioned them to be extra careful when on the road.

Also present at the flagging off ceremony was Deputy Vice-Chancellor Prof Madya Dr Amran Ahmed.