

Less unemployment among graduates past three years

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KOTA KINABALU: State Secretary Datuk KY Mustafa said unemployment among graduates has dropped over the last three years as a result of Sabah's booming economy.

He said the vibrant economy also provided jobs for others. According to Mustafa there was now more job opportunities while the unemployment rate has dropped.

"It cannot be denied that the implementation of the Ninth Malaysia Plan has contributed towards more jobs for the people," he told a press conference here after receiving a cheque meant for the State Disaster Fund at Wisma Innoprise.

He said there were more projects in the east coast particularly in set-

ting up telecommunication infrastructure for the palm oil industry cluster.

He said the deal signed between Telekom Malaysia Berhad and POIC Sabah Sdn Bhd recently would provide more job opportunities.

He said the RM4.7 million project required skilled manpower.

On the disaster fund, Mustafa said it has so far collected RM768,000 from various sources including RM16,918 from UMS which was donated yesterday.

However, victims of the recent floods would not get any financial aid from this fund as all assistance had been provided via the National Welfare Foundation. — Kamaruddin Liusin



Mustafa receiving a cheque from UMS vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Noh Dalimin