



Darwis (middle) cutting the ribbon to symbolically launch the programme yesterday.

UMS undergraduates to share benefits of higher learning with students

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) undergraduates are killing two birds with one stone through their state-level Jelajah Ramadhan - Masih Ada Nur Series II programme.

Apart from breaking fast with secondary school students and parents at five selected locations in the state, they will also share the benefits of studying at higher learning institutions, particularly UMS, throughout the week-long programme.

Organised by UMS Students Representatives Council, eight of its members led by president Khalil Sabu will be travelling from Kota Belud, Beluran, Lahad Datu, Tawau, and ending in Menggatal, beginning yesterday.

"We believe this is one of the best ways to observe the Ramadhan spirit and at the same time inject motivation to the students so they would be inspired to excel in their studies and pursue their education to a higher level," said Khalil.

The group will be meeting students at Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan (SMK) Kota Belud II, Kota Belud; SMK Beluran Bestari, Beluran; SMK Sepagaya, Lahad Datu; SMK Kinabutan, Tawau; and SMK Tebobon, Menggatal.

"We decided to continue with the programme following its success last year," he said.

Meanwhile, UMS Student Affairs Department senior deputy



Khalil (second left) with his colleagues in the council yesterday.

registrar Darwis Awang disclosed that the programme would also see the participation of some 200 undergraduates at each location visited.

"The undergraduates involved in the programme will be UMS' ambassadors, who will share their experiences in campus and the benefits of pursuing education at a higher level. We believe such interaction will enable us to instill interest and give them the motivation to study hard and excel in their studies," he said.

Darwis added that the programme was not only limited to Muslim undergraduates, adding that variations would enable them to approach people from different walks of life, cultures and religions, better.