

Uniformed bodies to be mainstay

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KOTA KINABALU: UMS wants its own campus level security team to encourage patriotism among undergrads.

Its vice chancellor Prof. Datuk Dr. Mohd Harun Abdullah said with such a group, which will be an umbrella body for all uniformed bodies, it would bring about the spirit of togetherness and experiencing how a security team would work.

“It can be a force within which will also help those in need and an agent in the implementation of the Blue Ocean Strategy.

“I hope we will have more such volunteers who are equally committed in academic and non-academic matters,” he said when launching UMS uniformed body here yesterday.

Mohd Harun said administrators and academic members could also join the uniformed bodies.

At the event, six bodies under the Reserve Trained Officers (PALAPES) comprising those representing the land, air and sea forces, Kor Sukarelawan Siswa Polis (SUKSIS), Kor Siswa-Siswi Pertahanan Awam (SISPA) and Fire and Rescue carried out a demonstration.

He said having uniformed bodies in the university is an important element in inculcating discipline among students.

He added that UMS would celebrate Uniformed Bodies Day annually during its convocational week.

UMS has also been chosen to host the inauguration of PALAPES for institutions of higher learning next year.