UMS moves up 72 places on UI-GreenMetric World University ranking

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) has improved its ranking in the UI-GreenMetric World University Ranking 2015 after it jumped 72 places to 173rd place.

UMS vice-chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah said the latest ranking was an improvement over the previous year when the university was at 245th place.

"This is an achievement for UMS staff who are on the right track to achieving excellence," he said in a statement.

He said that UMS was capable of improving its ranking further, especially in campus sustainability and environment management activities.

"We have implemented various environment-friendly measures such as efficient energy use, improvement of facilities and usage of bicycles on campus, besides teaching and research activities," he said.

"In addition, he said the setting up of the recycling centre and the ecofarm concept which would be practised by the university would also improve the university's ranking this year.

The UI-GreenMetric World University Ranking 2015 which was announced recently includes 407 universities from 66 countries.

UMS is at seventh place for public and private universities in Malaysia, with Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) at first place.

The ranking rates a university's commitment to creating a sustainable campus based on more than 40 indicators covering six major scopes including infrastructure, energy and climate change, waste management, water, transportation and education. – Bernama