

UMS wins big in Bio Innovation Awards

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) bagged four gold, four silver and one bronze medals in the Bio Innovation Awards this year.

The competition was initiated by the Malaysian Association of Research Scientists, BiotechCorp and PROTEMP Exhibitions and held from November 21 to 23 at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre (KLCC).

While the awards show that the university is moving towards its target of achieving a research university status by 2013, UMS vice chancellor Brigadier General Professor Datuk Seri Panglima Dr Kamaruzaman Hj Ampon stressed the importance of commercializing the research to benefit the people.

Kamaruzaman said it was more valuable when the research

could be translated into a commercial product to benefit the community.

He vowed that the university would invest more money to build better infrastructure for research and development.

The gold medalists were Januarius Gobilik, Associate Professor Dr Clemente Michael Wong Vui Ling, Dr Md Alimul Islam and Dr Patricia Matanjun.