

# Use hardship as motivation, UMS students urged

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Norlidah presenting assistance to new UMS students yesterday while Mohd Harun looks on.

**KOTA KINABALU:** Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) students were yesterday urged not to use poverty as an excuse to stop pursuing their tertiary studies.

They should instead use hardship as a motivator to excel in life, UMS vice chancellor Professor Datuk Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah said during a ceremony to present welfare assistance to 89 new student enrollees at the university yesterday.

“Don’t give up easily but continue on with your efforts so we can move upward,” he said.

He urged the students to use the opportunity rendered to them to study at the university as a means to improve their life.

“UMS will help you to achieve your ambitions,” he said.

Harun also urged them to use the welfare assistance wisely as they wait for their education loans and scholarships.

At the same time, Mohd Harun also said UMS had yet to receive any complaints of the university students going hungry due to the lack of capital, as spread at the social media recently.

He assured that the Student Affairs Department of the university would look into the welfare of the university students and that there were various types of welfare assistance available to help students who were in need.

The assistance was distributed by the wife of the Head of State, Toh Puan Datuk Seri Panglima Norlidah Tan Sri Datuk RM Jasni.