

Take advantage from Tamu Gadang to build organizational skills: Kassim



Juhar performs a symbolic launch of the 13th UMS Tamu Gadang witnessed by Kassim (left), Kamaruzaman (second left) and Hamid (right).



Students from the School of Arts Studies performing a contemporary dance routine at the official launch of the 13th UMS Tamu Gadang.

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KOTA KINABALU: University Malaysia Sabah (UMS) students have been told to take advantage of the university's annual fair, the Tamu Gadang, to help build organizational skills.

The Tamu Gadang held for the 13th time this year before the students' graduation ceremony has become a tradition and help the students to learn teamwork, shoulder heavy responsibilities that will eventually shape them into useful assets for nation building.

UMS Deputy Vice Chancellor, Associate Prof Dr Kassim Md Mansur said this in his speech during the official launch of the UMS 13th Tamu Gadang, held at the university's premises, yesterday.

It was launched by Head of State, Tun Haji Juhar Haji Mahiruddin and witnessed by Vice Chancellor, Brig Gen Prof Datuk Seri Panglima Dr Kamaruzaman Haji Ampon and UMS Board of Directors Chairman, Tan Sri Hamid Egeh.

"Indeed, the involvement of students in the student affairs programs is just one way to

teach them how to gain useful skills. This is in line with the government's call to produce first class human capital.

"Today, academic achievement is not the only priority because achievements in student affair activities are also equally important," he said.

According to Dr Kassim, students should instill in themselves good moral values, open-mindedness and a sense of responsibility to achieve the highest quality in whatever they do.

"It is hoped that students will create a positive environment in the development of the country as aspired by the Malaysian government. I urge all the students who are directly or indirectly involved in organizing the 13th Tamu Gadang to take full advantage of this experience and also to enliven the spirit of UMS. There are many activities, events, exhibitions, competitions, talent performances, lectures and demonstrations available. Make full use of it," Kassim added. — *By Gordon Chin*