

UMS Staff Football League kicks off

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KOTA KINABALU: Twelve teams are fighting it out in the UMS Staff Football League Tournament, which kicked-off at the university's stadium here on Tuesday.

Universiti Malaysia Sabah Registrar Noman Datuk Ahmad officiated at the opening ceremony. Also present were former Sabah stars and national strikers Matlan Marjan and Suharmin Yusof.

According to UMS sports centre director Mohd Asyraf Fong Abdullah, the tournament features three competitions, namely the FA Cup, League Cup and Penalty-Penalty.

In his opening speech, Noman lauded the organisers for staging the league.

"This tournament involving the university's staff needs to be developed and expanded because it has a very positive impact on building relationships and team spirit within the organisation," he



NOMAN (second left) receiving a memento from Asyraf while Matlan Marjan (left) and Suharmin Yusof (right) look on.

said.

Noman also stressed that recreation and exercise should be nurtured among UMS employees to produce a healthy and vibrant workforce.

Meanwhile, the opening

ceremony kicked off with an interesting match for VIPs involving The Administrative Team led by Matlan Marjan and The Academic Team backed by Suharmin Yusof.

The Administrative Team edged their opponent thanks to Noman's solitary goal.

An FA Cup match between HEPA and DeArts was played after the opening game. HEPA won the match 2-1.