

Students at UMSKAL told to concentrate on their studies

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LABUAN: Students of Universiti Malaysia Sabah at the Labuan International Campus (UMSKAL) have been reminded to not be influenced by unhealthy propaganda.

UMS Vice Chancellor, Prof Datuk Dr. Mohd Harun Abdullah said that some of the students' who are susceptible to the unhealthy activity will affect their own education.

In fact, he said, parents will be disappointed with some students who involve themselves with the activities that do no benefit them.

He hope that students will focus three years' of their time in university to get an excellent result as what they and their family wanted before they entered a Public Higher Education Institution (IPTA).

"Do not be involved in activities that will damage your own future and crash your parents' hope," he said when met after visiting UMSKAL, here, recently.

Dr. Harun held a meeting with three out of five students arrested by the police for distributing brochures in Labuan on March 23.

He was hoping that from the heart to heart meeting, it will open up the students' mind to think of the implications on them, their family and the university.

Later, he met with the Chief of the Students Representative Council (MPP), the Stu-

dents' Welfare Committee and UMSKAL Seniors led by MPP President, Mohd. Najib Rubin.

Also present, UMS Registrar, Datuk Abdullah Mohd Said, UMS Treasurer, Rizal Othman, UMSKAL Chairman, Prof Madya Dr Ismail Ali, Labuan School of Business and Finance (SPKAL), Prof Madya Dr Syed Nasirin Syed Zainol Abidin and Labuan School of Informatics Science (SSIL) Dean, Dr Ag Asri Ag Ibrahim and UMSKAL Assistant Registrar, Zamri Mohamad Tuah.

Vice Chancellor also officiated Kedai Coop 1Malaysia in Student Co-Curriculum and Development Centre building and visited Palapes office.

He said, if students wish to involve themselves in politics, they can do so after they finished their education.

He added; the meeting with the group and MPP is parable to a meeting with parents who want their children to focus on their education and not activities that can ruin the university's reputation.

"Should there be any problems and issues in the campus, they can contact me or the campus' chairman because to every problem, there is a solution - through a harmonious discussion," he said.

Dr. Harun hopes that the students' action will not be repeated in the future because it will affect the good name of UMS.