



Harun hitting the gong as a symbolic gesture to officiate the APC.

UMS presents awards to 1,655

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KOTA KINABALU: A total of 1,655 Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) academic and non-academic employees received appreciation awards for their services at the university, here, Thursday.

Out of that number, 209 academic and non-academic employees received the Outstanding Service Award (APC), which includes RM1,000 cash and a certificate to acknowledge their services.

Other recipients received a certificate to acknowledge their work.

Graced by UMS Vice Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah, the Outstanding Service Awards Ceremony saw 616 academics and 1023 non-academic employees receiving awards. In his speech Harun encouraged the recipients to become role models to fellow employees to further promote productivity.

He also discouraged envy among employees who did not receive the award because negativity could reduce productivity.

"I believe that if people are always sincere in doing their job, the rewards will come on its own," said Harun.

Meanwhile APC winner Faezah Mohamad Dun said all extra hours spent in her three years at UMS has paid off after receiving the



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award.

"After today, the hard work I've done feels worth it. I'm grateful. A lot of people are more deserving of the award but I guess today is just my rezeki," said Faezah.

Fellow APC winner Mohd Affzanizam Mohd Amin said the award has inspired him to perform better at work.

"I'm grateful for this award after four years here. I will use this award to improve my work quality for the university.

"Always do you work as instructed by superiors and work as a team. Be ready to work overtime because in the corporate division, work isn't fixed. You need to be dedicated," he said.