

UMS determined to become centre of excellence for international students

KOTA KINABALU: Aiming to give high priority to quality education and facilities for international students, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) is determined to become a centre of excellence in the year ahead.

Towards this end, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic & International) Prof Dr Amran Ahmed said the UMS Link, the university's commercial and business arm, was currently in the process of building a prestigious international educa-

tion centre in Alamesra near here.

The centre is known as UMS Link International Precinct.

He said the centre would specially cater for the international community, whose development would, among others, comprise a boutique hotel, service apartment and medical centre.

"Very soon, our international students will be able to enjoy a wide range of conducive learning facilities within one integrated centre, with close proximity to many public facilities

available in the vicinity of the building," he said.

Dr Amran said this in his speech in conjunction with the registration day of the International Student Foundation Programme (ISFP) 2011 yesterday.

He said ISFP was a preparatory course for international students conducted by the UMS Link Centre for Professional Development, adding it was a prerequisite qualification, prior to admission to various degree programmes at UMS. — Bernama