

UMS implements programme to assist needy students



New students of UMS for 2013/2014 at the oath-taking and "Aku Janji" ceremony
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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) is taking a proactive step by implementing a new intake mechanism programme to assist needy students.

UMS vice chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah said that the programme is one of the agendas under its corporate social responsibility (CSR) to provide

opportunity for poor students to pursue their education to tertiary level.

"These students are selected through several processes by agencies such as the Education Department, Social Welfare Department, schools, community leaders and UMS itself.

"We visited these students together at their hometowns and saw what kind of background they are from, and those who we deem qualify will be given offer letters to

study in UMS," he said in his speech during the oath-taking and "Aku Janji" ceremony for 4,954 UMS students at the university campus here yesterday.

Through this programme a total of 100 students were given the opportunity to improve their lives and also their families.

According to Harun, UMS will form a special committee to monitor these students to ensure they make the right progress.