

UMS to hold public lecture

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KOTA KINABALU: A public lecture on 'Molecular cell Biology, biodiversity and biotechnology' will be held at the Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) here this Friday.

The lecture will be conducted by Prof. Ho Coy Choke from UMS's School of Science and Technology.

According to a statement from UMS, the chairman of the university's

Board of Directors, Tan Sri Abd Hamid Egeh, will be attending the lecture.

"Bio" has of late become something of a catch word among government leaders and academicians as interest on exploring the bio-diversity and the potential of the country's eco-systems mounts.

The Malaysian government recently announced the setting up of a biotechnology park to spearhead develop-

ment in the 'bio' sector, akin to the setting up of the Multi-media Super Corridor several years ago to catalyse the development of the information technology sector.

The Sabah government, in collaboration with government-sponsored agencies from Denmark, has embarked on a number of environment and biodiversity-related activities.