## **UMS** signs cooperation pact with Universiti

DE 24. 1. Joily 4 KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) and Universiti Brunei Darussalam (UBD) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen cooperation between the two institutions in the various fields which had been forged since 2008.

The MoU was signed by both tertiary institutions in conjunction with the courtesy call by the UMS delegation on the Education Minister of Brunei Darussalam, Pehin Orang Kaya Seri Kerna Dato' Seri Setia Abu Bakar Apong, recently.

UMS said the university was represent-ed by its Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Datuk Dr Mohd Harun Abdullah, while the UBD was represented by its Vice-Chancellor, Dato Paduka Dr Zulkarnain Hanafi, and witnessed by the Brunei Darussalam Education Minister.

"The cooperation involves student exchange programmes, industrial training and mobility, exchange of publications, cooperation in the field of research and teaching, as well as cooperation in other areas agreed upon by both parties," the statement said.

According to the statement, besides making a courtesy call on the Education Minister of Brunei Darussalam, the delegation also visited the Universiti Islam Sultan Sharif Ali (UNISSA) in efforts to boost cooperation between both institutions of higher learning.

The UMS delegation was greeted by UNISSA Rector Pg Anak Dr Amiruddin Alam Shah Pg Anak Ismail.

Besides Prof Dr Harun, the UMS delegation, headed by the Malaysian High Commissioner to Brunei Darussalam, Datuk Awang Sahak Awang Salleh, com-prised the UMS Dean of Social Science School, Prof Datuk Mohd Hamdan Adnan, School of Arts lecturer Prof Dr Mohd Sahlan Saman, Head of the UMS Chancellory Department No'man Ahmad, and Acting Director of the International Affairs Centre, Molly Donna-Awang Sham.