



Kamaruzaman (second left) launching the website while Effendy (left) witnessed.

UMS revamps website, opens Facebook account

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) has set up a Facebook account in conjunction with the launch of its revamped website to get feedback from Net citizens.

The official FB page will be displayed on the university's website with other initiatives to be implemented in the near future, namely a YouTube account under the handle "videoUMS".

"This is the website's fourth transformation since the inception of the university," said UMS Vice Chancellor Prof. Datuk Dr Kamaruzaman Ampon during the launching ceremony here, Tuesday.

He hoped the latest transformation will enable the university achieve both a 5-tier status and be among the top 10 websites for institutes of higher learning in the nation.

Acting Head of Media and Technology Education, Effendy Hadis, who was also present, said: "We received comments be it positive or negative and translated it to the website, which shows our maturity as a university."

He said the old features in the website that are still relevant will remain and upgraded in line with the ICT cultural strategy of the campus.

"The new website will prepare a bigger space for electronic advertisements, data classification and gathering that is easy to understand with information that are more relevant to benefit all layers of web surfers," said Effendy.

He said the website will be monitored by two sub-committees which will report directly to the main website committee, which are the Web Technical Committee and the Website Management Committee.

Meanwhile, Kamaruzaman said the university is expecting receive about 4,900 new students in the new intake this month.

About 60 per cent of the newcomers hail from the peninsula and around 30-40 per cent from Sabah and Sarawak.

"Our State has a low representation of local students mostly because they opt to go to universities in the peninsula, namely Universiti Malaya and Universiti Putra Malaysia," he said.