

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will always support the government's vision to empower its students by establishing the Students Union.

The establishment of the Students' Union is one of the Malaysian Education Ministry's ideas for students to be in charge of their activities and governing bodies, as well as to empower students' voices in the university.

UMS Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Datuk Dr D Kamarudin D Mudin said to support the idea, UMS has provided an office for the new Students' Union to operate and govern their activities independently here in UMS.

UMS supportive of its Students' Union

"Although UMS lacks space, when it comes to its student's affairs, we will try our best to ensure there are places or spaces for students to do their activities.

"I hope this new space can be a place for students to implement and plan their activities for the betterment of their welfare. Apart from that, students will also be able to partake in as university management committees in representing the student inter-

ests," he said.

He said this in his speech during the officiation of the new Student Union Office at Faculty of Humanities, Arts and Heritage UMS here, on Wednesday.

He also hoped that the new office of the Students' Union will be able to prepare students to be independent, matured as well as developing into graduates with quality.

Kamarudin also assured

that UMS will always support the establishment of the Students' Union and urged all students to support it as well.

Meanwhile, UMS Board of Directors Chairman Datuk KY Mustafa said apart from the establishment of the new office of the Students' Union, various efforts will be made so that UMS Student Union will have the rights to safeguard the welfare of its members.