

Revamp for Sabah's TVET schools

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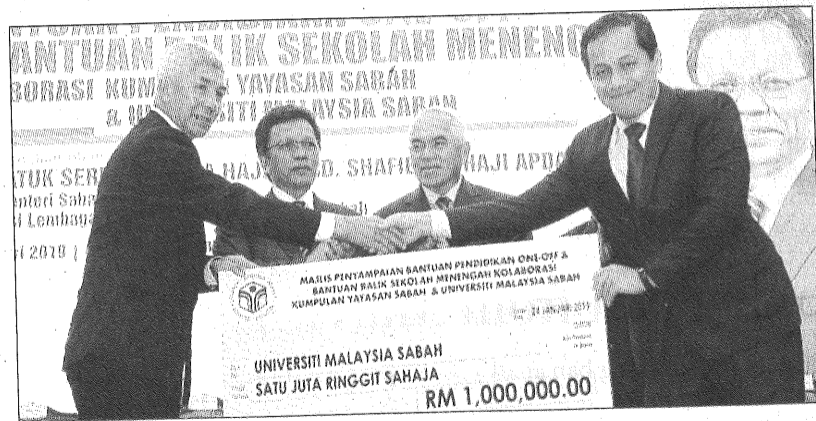
KOTA KINABALU: The Sabah Government aims to restructure the State's educational system, particularly the technical and vocational schools.

Chief Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal said the effort was to ensure that graduates produced by local educational institutions are able to meet the needs of the local industry and market.

"The educational system needs to be changed in line with the changing needs of the world. There is no need to create a lot of graduates (of a field) if there is no demand from industry. For this, we have to ensure that the fields offered by educational institutions are in line with the manpower needs of industry in order to ensure that graduates are able to easily find employment once they finish their studies.

"Thus, the creation of the Education and Innovation Ministry was the right move so that the State Government can fulfil the needs of the market and industry in the State," he said at the presentation of Sabah Foundation's one-off and back to school education assistance, here, Thursday.

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Jamalul handing over the mock cheque to UMS Vice Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr D Kamarudin D Mudin, witnessed by Shafie and others.