## We're always ready to adapt to new norms: UMS

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KOTA KINABALU: Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) remains undaunted and eveready in adapting to new norms by bringing its lectures and seminars to an online platform.

UMS Vice Chancellor Prof Datuk Dr Taufiq Yap Yun Hin said UMS had conducted its first online premier lecture and is committed in carrying out its entrusted responsibilities, even in the face of the pandemic.

The lecture featured Natural Disaster Research Centre Director Dr Felix Tongkul who talked on "Earthquake Science in Malaysia: Status, Challenges and Ways For-

The talk was streamed live on UMS official Facebook page (ums.official) and Youtube Channel (UMS Net).

Taufiq extended his thanks on penalt of the university's management to all parties involved in making the premier lecture series a success, which was made accessible to anyone with internet access.

"I am very proud of this effort which I consider as one of the steps to let Higher Education Institutions convene, especially in Sabah," he said when delivering a welcome speech in conjunction with the premier lecture.

Taufiq added that the effort should be a catalyst for many more University-Community knowledge sharing activities to be implemented.

At the inaugural lecture session, Prof Felix shared about the study and status of earthquakes in Malaysia as well as the challenges and direction of earthquake science in facing the dangers and risks of Malaysian earthquakes.

Also present were Deputy Vice Chancellor (Academic and International) Prof Dr Rasid Mail and Science and Natural Resources Faculty Dean Prof Dr Baba Musta.