## UMS to develop mini water treatment plant in Pitas

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS), through its Faculty of Science and Natural Resources (FSSA), would develop a mini water treatment plant in Kampung Mengkapon, Pitas, said its project head, Prof Dr Kawi Bidin.

"The project which will take a year to be completed, combines the FSSA academicians' expertise in various fields such as hydrology, geology, design, water quality, electronics and automation," he said in a statement, here, Thursday.

Kawi noted that the Tagal system practised by the village

community had led him and the UMS team to be optimistic of the success of the mini water treatment plant project.

The groundbreaking ceremony for the project was officiated by FSSA dean, Prof Dr Baba Musta last Monday.

The project was given by the Ministry of Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change to Sabah Baitulmal Corporation to be developed with the assistance of FSSA through the Malaysian Social Innovation (MySI) grant. –Bernama