UMS-Japfa Indonesia ink MoA

KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) signed a Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) with Japfa Comfeed Indonesia to focus on training programmes and transfer of aquaculture knowledge to Japfa staff who are currently in the process of establishing an aquaculture institute in Indonesia.

The MoA was signed between UMS Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr Taufiq Yap Yun Hin, and Japfa Vice President and Head of Aquaculture Division, PT Suri Agri Lead (STP), Ardi Budiono held at the JAPFA headquarters in Singapore on Jan 17.

Taufiq said Japfa-UMS cooperation through Borneo Marine Research Institute (IPMB) has been initiated over the past ten years through the expertise of the consulting profession by Prof. Dr. Shigeharu Senoo who is an academic staff at IPMB.

"In the past, UMS and Japfa have actually collaborated in various fields of research and



Dr Taufiq (seated centre), Handoro (seated left), Dr Sitti Raehannah and others during the signong ceremony.

expertise sharing. The cooperation and trust provided will enhance UMS's visibility on the global stage and enhance UMS's image and reputation in the aquaculture field.

"In 2016, Japfa awarded a research contract worth RM180,000 to Professor Dr. Faihanna Ching to lead a research project with a focus on the study of the eel gonad maturity to strengthen the aquaculture industry in the field of eels.