

# UMP LAUNCHES BOOK IN APPRECIATION OF SULTAN OF PAHANG:

## THE RULER, THE BUILDER, THE ENGINEER

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In appreciation of the contributions made by His Royal Highness (HRH), The Sultan of Pahang, Sultan Ahmad Shah Al-Musta'in Billah Ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Abu Bakar Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mu'adzam Shah, Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) launched a coffee-table book entitled *“His Royal Highness Sultan Ahmad Shah: The Ruler, The Builder, The Engineer”* at the Hyatt Regency Resort Hotel in Kuantan on October 2 last year.

The book launch preceded the conferment of an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Civil Engineering on HRH Sultan Ahmad Shah the following day, which was in conjunction with UMP's Commemorative and 4<sup>th</sup> Convocation ceremonies.

The 92-pages book was a picturesque display of various historic moments

during HRH's reign as the admirable Ruler, Builder and Engineer of the people of Pahang Darul Makmur.

According to UMP's Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr Daing Nasir Ibrahim, 2009 marked the 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary of HRH coming to the throne, showering the people of Pahang with a rule full of just and care.

“Development projects came in droves, from both State and Federal governments during HRH's reign. Needless to mention, one of them was the establishment of our university, the only public institution of higher learning operating fully in the state of Pahang,” said Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir.

“HRH was also deeply concerned with the economic imbalance between the urban

and rural areas. He took upon himself to help eradicate such imbalance, and thus, elevating the living standards of the people of Pahang.

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Present to witness the book launch was HRH Sultan Ahmad Shah and his consort, Sultanah Pahang, Sultanah Kalsom; UMP's Chancellor, HRH the Crown Prince of Pahang, Tengku Abdullah Sultan Ahmad Shah, and his consort, HRH Tunku Azizah Aminah Maimunah Iskandariah Sultan Iskandar; Menteri Besar of Pahang, Dato' Sri Adnan Yaakob; Minister of Higher Education, Dato' Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin, and his deputy, Dato' Saifuddin Abdullah.