



CAMPUS ELECTION RUNS SMOOTHLY, CONCURRENTLY IN GAMBANG & PEKAN

Universiti
Malaysia
Pahang's
(UMP)
campus

Student's
Activities

election ran smoothly without a hitch, with 4,596 students, or about 75% of the university's population, filling their ballot papers at the two campuses in Gambang and Pekan.

The balloting process was conducted concurrently at the Gambang Campus' Sports Complex and for the first time, at the Pekan Campus' Faculty of Electrical & Electronic Engineering building, on February 23, 2011.

This year's campus election marked another milestone when it was conducted simultaneously at the two campuses, utilizing electronic voting system called "e-Vote" to elect student representatives for the Students' Council (MPP) 2011/2012 session.

Prior to D-day, election fever was felt around campus with candidates seen actively campaigning their manifesto to the constituents.

Assistant Vice-Chancellor (Students' Affairs & Alumni), Professor Dr Yuserrie Zainuddin, who was also chairman of the overseeing committee, said the 2011/2012 MPP line-up were divided into two categories – namely, faculty and general seats.

"For the new session, an additional



three seats were allocated, bringing the total number to 24, compared with 21 last year. Sixteen seats were allocated for the faculty while the general was composed of eight," said Professor Dr Yuserrie.

"This year also saw a 74% increase in the number of candidates to 53 – including 23 females – compared with only 39 the year before," he added.

"The statistics reflected UMP students' rising awareness of the importance of their voice to be heard and represented."

The election results were announced at 6pm by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic & International), Professor Dr Badhrulhisham Abdul Aziz, at the Sports Complex.

According to the Assistant Vice-Chancellor, the election results saw 15 out of the 23 female candidates vying for the faculty and general seats forming the new line-up for MPP 2011/2012.

One of the female candidates, who won the general seat with the highest number of votes, Shahira Mohd Basir, 21,