



## FATHER, MOTHER AND DAUGHTER SHARED THE STAGE DURING CONVOCATION

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It was a totally different experience for 24-year-old Farah Liyana Mokhtar when she received her degree in chemical engineering and gas technology during Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)'s sixth convocation recently.

Her parents were present not only to witness her graduation but also to receive their own scrolls. Her father Dr Mokhtar Ibrahim,

57, and mother Dr. Hamidah Alus, 54, graduated with executive diplomas in project management from Centre for Continuing Education & Professional Development (CENFED).

It was a memorable event for the family and Dr. Hamidah made it even better with her CGPA score of 3.98.

The mother of five was committed in pursuing her studies in UMP despite working as a manager at Ice Hydrotherapy Treatment Centre. It simply did not pose a hindrance to her as she wanted to be a role model for her children.

Dr. Mokhtar, who is Kayrul Construction Sdn. Bhd. managing director, said it was a right decision made when they chose to continue to study in the field.

"I feel so blessed for being able to be together with my wife and daughter in this convocation. All the efforts made were worthwhile as we are all here in this prestige event," he added.

On his future plans, Dr. Mokhtar said he would want to further improve his business and harboured a dream of pursuing a master's degree in UMP.

Farah Liyana said she was so proud of her parents' achievements because they were still interested to continue their studies in a new subject although they already had sound education.

"Their perseverance and determination encourage me to be more successful and I pray that we will achieve success in anything that we do," she added.