

TENGGU MAHKOTA OF PAHANG LAUNCHED KUALA PAHANG MAHKOTA EMPOWER ECER



His Royal Highness Tengku Mahkota of Pahang Tengku Abdullah Al-Hajj Ibn Sultan Haji Ahmad Shah Al-Musta'in Billah officially launched Kuala Pahang Mahkota Empower ECER - a human resource development programme tailored especially for the community in Kuala Pahang, Pekan.

The idea was mooted by Tengku Abdullah himself who wanted to see youths in the area attained success in their studies as well as improving their skills.

He said they should use the opportunity wisely so they could change their lives for the better and become better persons for their families, the nation and religion.

"In fact, the programme should be extended to other districts in Pahang so others can benefit too," he said before officially launching the programme at the Student Centre Square in Pekan UMP on July 18, 2012.

Tengku Abdullah also witnessed the exchanging of documents between UMP, represented by



Vice-Chancellor Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim, and East Coast Economic Region Development Council (ECERDC), represented by its Chief Executive Officer, Dato' Jebasingam Issace John.

The cooperation involved the implementation of four human resource development programmes - Mahkota Empower ECER in Kuala Pahang, Sinar ECER for Pekan Agropolitan children, motivational training for Agropolitan participants in Runchang, Lepar and Tanjung Batu and trainings in motorised vehicle

repair works and maintenance for youths in Pekan Agropolitan.

Dato' Dr. Daing said the Mahkota Empower ECER programme in Kuala Pahang was carried out because UMP understood the need for the university to make its mark in the local socio-economic development plan in order to realise its Strategic Plan (2011-2015).

He added that the initiative would be implemented under Centre for Continuing Education and Professional Development (CENFED) and Automotive



The idea was mooted by Tengku Abdullah himself who wanted to see youths in the area attained success in their studies as well as improving their skills

Excellence Centre (AEC). "In fact, commitment from CENFED and UMP Women Association (MATAHARI) have successfully realised the strategic consensus between UMP and ECERDC," he said.

Seven people were also presented with letters of appointment and they would be involved with the programme in Kuala Pahang.

They were Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Indera Shahbandar Principal, Hajah Umi Kalsom Abd Azi, Senior Assistant Teacher (Administration), Rahayu Shaharuddin, Sekolah Kebangsaan Lepar teacher, Abd Razak Jaafar, Sekolah Kebangsaan Runchang Headmaster, Ismail Md Yassin, Sekolah Kebangsaan Indera Shahbandar headmistress Zaiton Awang, Sekolah Kebangsaan Serandu Headmaster, Mohd Sufian Mohd Ali and Social ECER-UMP Project Manager,

Also present were UMP Board Of Directors' Chairman, Dato' Mohd Hilmey Mohd Taib, Pekan District Officer, Dato' Mohd Fadli Mohd Kenali and the university's senior officials.

Zainal Bahari.

Two participants, Zaini Jusoh and Amran Zakaria, received offer letters to take part in 1Malaysia cooking course and mobile telephone repair course, respectively.

They were among 50 participants comprising homemakers, single mothers and youths selected to participate in various free skill training courses for six months.

In the same event, Tengku Abdullah took the opportunity to mingle with students from schools in Kuala Pahang during a story book reading session and visited exhibition displaying activities relating to ECER, automotive and several government agencies.

Also present were UMP Board Of Directors' Chairman, Dato' Mohd Hilmey Mohd Taib, Pekan District Officer, Dato' Mohd Fadli Mohd Kenali and the university's senior officials.

