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UMP'S SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CARNIVAL PROMOTED INNOVATIVE CULTURE



Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)'s Faculty of Industrial Sciences & Technology (FSTI) organised a Science and Technology Carnival (ez-SciMaT), with the cooperation from Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI) recently.

Response was good as more than 5,000 visitors came to the carnival held over three days.

A variety of programmes were carried out including observing space objects using telescope - made possible with the cooperation from Malaysia National Space Agency (ANGKASA), ANGKASA portal registration and Angkasawan Space Camp activities with Malaysia Angkasawan Foundation (MAF), exhibitions and a special appearance by local cartoon characters,

Upin and Ipin.

The event was officially opened by MOSTI's Innovation and Commercialisation Department Secretary, Datin Norwahidah Wong Abdullah, representing Deputy Minister, Datuk Haji Fadillah Haji Yusof at Sports Complex Hall last November 2, 2012.

"MOSTI is a ministry that bears a big responsibility in determining the direction of nation as well as helping to realise the federal government's efforts and aspiration in creating awareness, understanding and appreciation for science, mathematics and technology. This is in line with the rapid development happening now in science and technology.

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UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim said the programme was organised by the faculty with the theme, 'Science is For All', in line with the ministry's agenda to increase the number of undergraduates enrolled in courses relating to science, technology and engineering in