



VICE-CHANCELLOR VISITS CHINA

Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) forged ties with Hebei University (HBU) and Hebei University Science and Technology (HEBUST) in a move to strengthen programmes in academic, international and mobility involving students and staff of UMP.

UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim said the collaboration involved student industrial placement, academic, research, teaching staff and programmes at the Mandarin Language and Culture Centre (MLCC) and Centre for Modern Languages & Human Sciences (CMLHS).

MLCC was set up with the objective of improving the command of Mandarin among students and to meet demands of the job market, be it locally or abroad.

"It is an innovation by UMP to spur economic growth in the East Coast Region by way of forging ties with universities in China," said Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir who led the university's delegation to the country.

The visit also saw an increase in collaborations between the universities.

Prior to this, UMP had already signed a MoU with HBU on January 5, 2010 which saw the establishment of MLCC in UMP.

Also present were Dean of Faculty of Chemical & Natural

Resources Engineering, Professor Ir. Dr. Jailani Salihon, MLCC Coordinator, Chong Ah Kow and an officer with the Vice-Chancellor Office, Emma Melati Burhanuddin.

According to Dato' Dr Daing Nasir, the collaboration forged would help produce graduates who were competitive and those catered to the needs of the industries - in line with UMP's Strategic Plan 2011-2015.

Dato' Dr Daing Nasir representing UMP, also signed an MoU with HBU, represented by its President Professor Fu Guangsheng.

Also present were HBU Deputy President Professor Wang Fengming, College of International Exchange and Education (CIEE), Professor Li, its Deputy Director, Professor Guo Fuliang, International Relation Deputy Director, Professor Cheng Enqing and CIEE Assistant Dean, Associate Professor Liang Weige.

HBU also appointed Professor Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir as its Visiting Professor.

UMP's delegation also met HEBUST Deputy President, Professor Jin Zhanzhong and Chemical and Pharmaceutical Engineering Faculty Dean, Professor Rong Xinyu to discuss about future collaborations in areas relating to chemical and pharmaceutical engineering.

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