The first workshop on finding income-generating activity was carried out for two days on June 25 and 26. It was ‘Break that Pattern! Workshop on Sustainable Income Generation for UMP’ and handled by Professor Dr. Ahmad Rahman Songip (ARS). It was attended by 39 participants including three from the secretariat. UMP Vice Chancellor Professor Dato’ Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim was also present, providing support to the participants. He told them of his aspirations and of the desired results that he hoped to come out of the workshop.

The workshop was divided into three sessions with the first on identifying all university assets - the tangible and intangible assets. The assets were then divided into six main clusters:

1. Endowment and others
2. Physical Asset and Facilities
3. Networking (internal)
4. Stakeholder
5. Networking (external)
6. Services

The participants were divided in six groups based on the clusters that had been identified with every group required to ascertain projects that could generate income. As a result, 33 projects were found to have commercial values.

An appraisal session for pre-commercialisation grant for first session 2014 was held on March 31 at Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP)’s Research and Innovation Department (JP&I) meeting room. Ten projects were selected for the appraisal. The session was a routine activity conducted by the Technology Transfer Office (TTO) held annually in their efforts to help and assist completed R&D projects to move to the next steps, pre-commercialisation and commercialisation stages.

Out of the 10 projects, four were picked to receive the grant. The projects were:

1. E-Majalah (E-Magazine by Prof. Dr. Abd. Jalil Borham, PBMSK)
2. kifayaCalc 1.0 (Dr. Mansor Sulaiman, PBMSK)
3. Modul dan Aplikasi Mudah Alih Untuk Pekerja Muslim (Mobile Module and Application for Muslim Workers Anita Abdul Rani, PBMSK)
4. Toxic Metals Removal from Electroplating Wastewater and Recycling (Associate Prof. Dr. MD Lutfor Rahman, FSTI)