

# UMP OWNS 180-ACRE OF LAND



*Dato' Mahadiah presented the letter of approval to UMP Vice Chancellor.*



*Site visit to Kampung Serengkam, Maran.*



*Discussions held with Ketua Kampung Serengkam village headman, Encik Ghaffar.*

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The Deputy Vice Chancellor Prof Dato' Dr. Rosli bin Mohd Yunus mooted the idea for land application as he found out that most of the studies conducted by the university's researchers were agro-based. Efforts taken to apply for the land began in 2009.

A 230-acre of land in Kampung Serengkam, Maran, Pahang was identified in November 2009 and a site visit was made in January 2010. It was a suitable area, not far from UMP Gambang campus.

Following discussions and consultations from the State Economic Planning Unit (EPU) pertaining to the application process, UMP submitted a complete form on April 2010 and was required to make a presentation in the Pahang Special Investment Committee meeting on May 12, 2011.

UMP's bid was successful and the university managed to obtain a 180-acre of land and during the Pahang Biotechnology and Green Technology Sector Investment Project Monitoring meeting No 1/2012 on October 12, 2012, a letter of approval was personally presented by EPU director Dato' Mahadiah Haji Mohamad to UMP Vice Chancellor Prof. Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir bin Ibrahim.

Therefore, UMP is identifying its potential projects, those which can be carried out in big scales and research projects that require large space. Various development projects are being studied and planned for land utilisation on the area.