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Launching ebook by UMP Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dato' Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim

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UMP Publisher made history when it launched its own digital publication called e-Books on November 28.

It was officially launched by UMP Vice Chancellor Professor Dato' Dr.Daing Nasir Ibrahim at Astaka Hall. Also present were Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research and Innovation) Professor Dato Dr. Rosli Mohd. Yunus and Registrar Haji Mustafa Ibrahim.

A book written by Dato' Dr.Daing Nasir titled, 'Universiti: Watak, Budaya dan Citra' (University: Character, Culture and Image) was also launched at the same event. The 158-page book is a compilation of speeches by Dato' Daing since leading UMP in 2008.

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