



- ◆ UMP Publisher Director Associate Prof. Dr. Mohd Ghani Awang (second from right) and Director of Centre of Excellence for Bio-Aromatic Associate Prof. Dr. Saiful Nizam Tajuddin (right) posing with their certificates and trophies presented by UniKL CEO/President Prof. Datuk Dr. Mazliham Mohd Su'ud (in the middle).

'RAHSIA KEUNIKAN GAHARU' (THE UNIQUE SECRETS OF 'GAHARU') WON A PRIZE IN THE NATIONAL BOOK AWARD

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Kuantan, December 9: Good quality – that was the point that won the book *'Rahsia Keunikan Gaharu'* (The Unique Secrets of Gaharu) a prize under the Best General Book (Agriculture Technology) category of the National Book Award 2014.

The award presentation ceremony was officially opened by Islamic International University Malaysia (IIUM) President Tan Sri Datuk Seri Utama Dr. Rais Yatim at Putra World Trade Centre (PWTC), Kuala Lumpur yesterday.

UMP Publisher director Associate Professor Dr. Mohd Ghani Awang said strategic partnership formed between the publisher and lecturers showed that it could help improve the production of original and quality works.

"We are pleased with the achievement attained which was a result from the efforts taken to improve and produce quality books.

"We also hope that with the win, it will spur more of the university staff to come up with good and quality books to be used as reference materials passed down to the next generation.

The book is written by Dr. Fatmawati Adam (Faculty of Chemical and Natural Resource Engineering), Joharizal Johari (Faculty of Chemical and Natural Resource Engineering) and Associate Professor Dr. Saiful Nizam Tajudin (Faculty of Science and Industrial Technology). It was edited by Professor Dr. Mashitah Mohd Yusof, Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research and Innovation).

"This is our second win in the prestigious award after a book written by Vice Chancellor Professor Datuk Dr. Daing Nasir Ibrahim titled, *'Universiti; Watak, Budaya dan Citra'* (University: Character, Culture and Image) that won the Best General Book (Administration) last year.

"As such, we expect to continue with this winning streak and for UMP Publisher recognised as a respected establishment," he said.