Kuantan, 17 November – The recipient of Srikandi Matahari Award at the 12th UMP Convocation Ceremony, Sayyidatina Al Hurul Aina binti Alzahari, 24, does not stop her pursuit in study with only a Diploma in Computer Science at UMP but continues until she successfully graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Software Engineering from the same university.

For the Negeri Sembilan born, success is not served on a silver platter, thus we have to be courageous and be willing to take some risk in order to improve our self and at the same time identifying as well as improving on our weaknesses. Good self and time management must be developed so that all priorities are not going to be compromised.

"Seeing his hard working father, Alzahri bin Mansor, who is a technician at a private company and her mother, Sarah Mohd Hashim, who is a full-time housewife fueled her desire to work hard and repay her parents’ effort and sacrifices" she explains.

The second child from six siblings, Aina is also active in recreational and motivational programmes. She is also very interested in conducting research in the field of software engineering. Her most prestigious achievement was a gold medal in iCe-Cinno 2016 as well as representing UMP in a Chinese Bridge competition at Universiti Malaya.

According to her, there will be no success without integrity and sincerity in our actions, and there will be no success without the parents’ blessings and the will of the Almighty. Currently, Aina is currently working as a programmer at Getthiss Innovation Sdn. Bhd. Said that one of her fondest memories at UMP was being selected for a mobility programme for one semester at Universitas Teknologi Yogyakarta, Indonesia. Throughout the programme, she was able to broaden her knowledge and also learnt about foreign cultures.
She is thankful for the Serikandi Matahari Award which is her biggest achievement in her life to date. Upon receiving this award, Aina suggested to all current students not to put any limit to achieve success and not to be bound by your gender. She hope that they continue to be committed to self-advancement and contributing to the society.

The Serikandi Matahari Award winner were also greeted by the Patron of Matahari, Datin Fazia Ali and the President of Matahari, Professor Datin Dr. Mimi Sakinah Abdul Munaim.

According to Professor Datin Dr. Mimi Sakinah, this award is given to a female graduate with a CGPA of more than 3.50. The award is also based on 80% academic and 20% co-curriculum achievement. On behalf of Matahari, she truly appreciates the commitment of outstanding graduates and their contribution to the local community.

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