Kuantan, 18 November- The first ever recipient of PUSPANITA Community Care Award at the 12th Universiti Malaysia Pahang Convocation Ceremony, Nurnajat Nadira Abdul Rahman, 24, contributed her success to the undying support from both her parents.

The conferment of the award sponsored by PUSPANITA surprised her entirely. "This award will be a catalyst for me to keep on to contribute to the local community and the public" explained the Alor Setar, Kedah born who graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Civil Engineering from the Faculty of Civil Engineering & Earth Resources.

For her, the prayer and support from both her father, Abdul Rahman Abdullah, 57, and her mother, Rohani Yahaya, 52, as well as her friends are the biggest contributors in motivating herself and complete her studies with flying colours.

Believing in the old Malay saying, "Kalau tidak dipecahkan ruyung, manakan dapat sagunya", which loosely translated in English as "You can only get good result if you are willing to work hard for it", she is also active in theaters and plays. During her studies in UMP, Nurnajat has successfully organized a large scale musical theater involving UMP students from both Gambang and Pekan Campus as well as in collaboration with RTM and other external agencies.
For her, the success proves that a UMP students who are majority a technical major can also have the ability to excel and contribute to the university in the artistic field. In addition, she also stressed that the support and help from the people and surroundings also played an important role in her success.

Some of her most unforgettable memories were managing to achieve the first place in the state level theater competition and also visiting Perth, Australia together with the Student Council, Session 2015/2016 for the Culture Immersion and Leadership Skills programme.

The third child from five siblings, Nurnajat considers UMP as a student friendly university where the management are in full support of the activities organised by the students. Currently, she is working as an engineer at Syarikat Pembenaan Yeoh Tong Lay (SPYTL), a construction company in Kuala Lumpur.

She also stressed that university students should participate in any activities that they are passionate without seeing their major as an obstacle for success in these activities.

Hopefully, this award will serve as an inspiration to the other students to be active in the off-campus activities without neglecting their academic achievement. In the case of Nurnajat, she is currently traveling to and from between Kuala Lumpur and UMP to keep on contributing to the theater programme at the university.