

## FKKSAs Outbound Exchange students to Turkey India and Indonesia



Faculty of Chemical Engineering & Natural Resources (FKKSA) has sent 13 students abroad to join the student exchange program at UMP's partner institutions in Turkey, India and Indonesia. "This program is aimed to gain valuable experience as student life and campus activities in overseas universities as well to learn about their different culture and language" said Associate Professor Dr Fatmawati Adam, FKKSA Exchange Program Coordinator. Currently, the students are studying for one undergraduate semester from January to June 2018.

In sharing her experience, Hana Shakirah said "the medium communication used for teaching purposes is English. Initially, we were having some difficulties to digest their accent but as the time passes, we can understand their English accent better". Hana Syakirah Bt Md Hadun is one of the exchange students to SRM Institute of Science and Technology, in Chennai India, along with five others, Mohammad Farizal Bin Rahmat, Afkar Rabbani Hidayatullah Bin Hipeni, Nur Athira Hanani Bt Jailudin, Nurul Amirah Salihah Bt El-Arish and Pavethra A/P Sivanesan.

In Turkey, five students are currently attached at Karabuk University; Marzuki Bin Mawi, Khairul Asnawi Bin Abu Zaki, Ahmad Nur Fikry Bin Zainuddin, Nurul Ain Syuhadah Bt Mohammad Khorri and Fateen Zulaiqha Bt Hamzah. In order to overcome

language barrier at the university, exchange students including Kazakhstan, Bangladesh and India, learn to speak Turkish with lecturers and friends, since Turkish people cannot speak much English.



Besides studying, Asnawi and friends took this opportunity to visit several interesting places in Turkey. “We had a trip to Bursa recently. Uludag in Bursa is famous as snowy mountain and we had so much fun playing with snow there” said Khairul Asnawi happily.

In Institut Teknologi Sepuluh Nopember (ITS), Indonesia, Siti Nurqurratulainie Bt Miskan and Norafizah Bt Jaini participated in many activities organized by the ITS International Office. They had the opportunity to join 'Campus and City Tour' together with international students to visit several historical places around Surabaya such as, Surabaya Museum, House of Sempoerna, and Tugu Pahlawan. They also joined 'Adventurous Trip' to Madura Island including Gili Genting Island, Pulau Sembilan Island and Gili Labak Island. “We were also invited to witness the opening ceremony performances of the Javanese community at Cak Durasim Cultural Center. It was unforgettable moment for us” said Norafizah proudly.