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MALAYSIAN PERDANA COLLEGE OPENS IN BANGLADESH

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DHAKA, May 18 (Bernama) -- Perdana College, a Malaysia-Bangladesh joint venture institution of higher learning, has started its operation here early this year, giving Bangladeshi the opportunity to obtain internationally recognised foreign degree at a much lower cost.

Its principal, Koay Chee Hoe, said today that the college could accommodate 100 students and it provides degree courses in Business Computing and Computer Science and a one-year Diploma course in Computer Science.

He said the college was affiliated to Sedaya College in Petaling Jaya and its programmes are based on the latter's twinning programme with the University of Winnipeg and Acadia University, both in Canada.

According to him, students would have to complete their first year at Perdana College while the second year in Sedaya College and their final semester for another one or two years in Canada before obtaining their degree and diploma.

The college has four Malaysian lectures, including Koay, while three Bangladesh professors from the Jahangirnagar University here are expected to join soon.

Koay said the establishment of the college was in response to a call by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamed as part of effort to strengthen bilateral ties between Malaysia and Bangladesh in the field of education.

He added the response has been very encouraging and the college has plans to expand educational facilities and more academic programmes. --

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