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CUEPACS WELCOMES UPGRADING OF ITM TO UNIVERSITY

KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 27 (Bernama) -- Cuepacs has welcomed the government's move to upgrade Institut Teknologi MARA (ITM) to a university.

Cuepacs president N. Siva Subramaniam said today that the decision was consistent with the excellent role played by ITM all this while.

"ITM has developed the education of Bumiputeras, especially Bumiputeras in the rural areas," he said.

He was confident that the move would encourage more Bumiputera students to grab the opportunities provided.

At a gathering with ITM students and alumni yesterday, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad announced that ITM would be upgraded to a university and be renamed Universiti Teknologi Mara.

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