Two Utar courses get nod from accreditation board

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PETALING JAYA: MCA's upcoming Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman (Utar) has received approval for two of its eight courses from the Education Ministry's National Accreditation Board.

Party president Datuk Seri Dr Ling Liong Sik said the two courses were Bachelor of Arts in Chinese Studies and Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration.

The remaining six would be announced once they were approved by the board.

The temporary campus, which is housed at Star Publications (M) Bhd's former premises here, would have its renovations completed by the end of next month, Dr Ling said after inspecting the site here yesterday.

Also present were MCA vice-president Datuk Seri Ong Ka Ting and central committee member Datuk Hon Choon Kim, Star Publications (M) Bhd directors Datuk Dr Sak Cheng Lum and Datuk Leong Tang Chong, and managing director Datuk Steven Tan.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad would be welcoming the first batch of students at the campus on June 17, Dr Ling said, adding that the campus has an enrolment capacity of 800 students.

Dr Ling said Prof Wang Gungwu, Director of the East Asia Institute in Singapore, would be a member of Utar's International Advisory Council, besides chairing the university's Academic Board.

He said many prominent academicians, locally and abroad, had shown their interest in helping to make Utar a success.