

Selangor Sultan To Open SISFEC On March 21
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KUALA LUMPUR, March 12 (Bernama)-- The Sultan Idris Shah Forestry Education Centre (SISFEC), Universiti Putra Malaysia at the Ayer Hitam Forest Reserves in Puchong will be officially opened on March 21 by the Sultan of Selangor, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah.

The centre, which serves as a field laboratory for UPM students, also functions as a green area, genetic resources conservation centre, as well as an education and research centre for the university's Faculty of Forestry.

UPM, in a statement here today, stated that through a Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Selangor government and UPM in 1996, UPM was given the permission to manage and develop the Ayer Hitam Forest Reserve, covering 1,176.1 hectares for a period of 80 years, ending in 2076.

So far, UPM had conducted three scientific expeditions to the forests, and in one of them, they found several new fern and weed species.

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