

**WWF to help new teachers on environment**  
**New Straits Times**  
**July 23, 2012**

PUTRAJAYA: The Education Ministry, along with the World Wide Fund for Nature-Malaysia (WWF-Malaysia), will set up committees and task forces in teacher training colleges nationwide to educate future teachers on the environment.

The ministry and WWF-Malaysia signed a memorandum of understanding yesterday to support the eco-institute programme in teacher training institutes.

Ministry secretary-general Datuk Dr Rosli Mohamed said the programme aimed to produce future teachers who were more focused on environmental issues.

"This agreement signifies the cooperation in the 27 teacher training colleges in the country."

He hoped that both parties would work together to pool ideas and share their experiences in educating teachers who would, in turn, instil the same values in their students.

"It is part of the government's initiative to transform the education system and expand environmental values with programmes such as the eco-institute that will continue until 2014."

The ministry also launched the eco-institute website which will be used to discuss and get feedback.

WWF-Malaysia chief executive officer Datuk Dr Dionysius S.K. Sharma said the committees would ensure the smooth running of the programme.

"The committees will be tasked to organise programmes and activities on environmental issues."

The eco-institute was launched by Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin in April.

Copyright © 2012 The New Straits Times Press (Malaysia) Berhad.

Source: <http://www.nst.com.my/nation/general/wwf-to-help-new-teachers-on-environment-1.111835>