

Govt Gives Assurance On Boosting National Education Quality

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KUALA LUMPUR, March 24 (Bernama) -- The education ministry has given its assurance to continue boosting national education in terms of quality and academic achievement at all levels.

Second Education Minister Datuk Seri Idris Jusoh said this was important and in line with improvements in the positions of local universities at international-level since 2012.

"This can be seen via the positions of local universities such as Universiti Malaya which is now at 151st position in the world, as compared to 167 previously.

"Eleven other faculties are also recognised as among the best 100 in the world," he said after a ceremony to hand over the 2014 Tunku Medal Award at the Tunku Abdul Rahman Foundation here today.

According to Idris, to boost quality and achievement, the International Student Evaluation programme, held every three years, had been implemented, and psychometric test conducted at schools level to boost the academic quality of students.

Several students received awards during the ceremony.

The gold medal was awarded to Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) graduate Ana Masara Ahmad Mokhtar, 24, while the silver went to Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia graduate, Muhammad Iqmal Hisham Kamaruddin, 24.

The bronze medal went to UPM graduate M. Sugentiran, 27, and Universiti Tun Hussein Onn graduate Wong Chee Fei, 25.

The awards which were introduced in 1979 were offered to excellent bachelor graduates with first class honours.

All recipients were selected graduates of local public and private higher institutions of learning who were active in academic, co-curriculum and leadership.

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