Yap (seventh left, back row) in a group picture with students at the Karnival KPT4U in Tawau.

UMS praised for bringing institution closer to people

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TAWAU: Deputy Higher Education Minister Datuk Dr Mary Yap Kain Ching praised the Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) Community Service programme for bringing the institution closer to the community.

According to her, such activities at the same time can help increase the interest of young people to study to a higher level.

She said this when opening the SMK Balung Community Service here on Saturday, involving two mural painting projects prepared by UMS.

A total of 11 UMS graduates including lecturers and two mural painters from Kota Kinabalu successfully completed the project which began Thursday through to Friday.

In the meantime, Mary said the Government’s approach was to provide the best service to all the people of this country.

“Congratulations to UMS for developing community service initiatives through KPT4U and thanks to the people of Balung for the support given to such activities,” she said.

According to her, the welfare of the Balung community and educational institutions was not neglected by the Government who wants to see people live in prosperity.

Earlier, Mary launched a pedestrian walkway to a surau similar to a programme by UMS at Taman Apas Permai.