Madius: Spirit of moderation key to success

KOTA KINABALU: The spirit of moderation is the key to success in multi-ethnic and religious campus, said Sabah Trade and Industrial Minister, Datuk Seri Wilfred Madius Tangau.

He said Sabahans are most fortunate to experience the ethnic diversity in our state and country through various festive seasons such as Hari Raya, Wesak Day, Chinese New Year, Kaamatan and many more.

"Our differences are not our weakness but it strengthens us as we celebrate many festivities and from that, we learn about other cultures," he said when attending the Christmas celebration organised by Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) here yesterday, which was attended by more than 1,500.

According to Madius, it was a meaningful celebration and UMS students already proved their ability by organizing the grand Christmas celebration.

The deputy chief minister also stressed that unity among multi-racial students who were involved in organizing the event should be emulated because solidarity always becomes an important aspect.

"When you entered the workplace, unity is the key for success teamwork and I'm glad to say that UMS students are the best when it comes to unity," he said.

He also said students should play their role and get involved in multi-racial activities on campus.

"We need future graduates from UMS who have great ability to work in multi-racial, have great personality and able to be trustworthy," he added.

Meanwhile, vice chancellor, Prof. Datuk Dr. D Kamarudin D Mudin highlighted that, "the unity of students is something that he is proud of and this is in line with the university's target in becoming a university inhabited by plural society".

Also present were deputy vice chancellor for student affairs and alumni (HEPA) Prof. Dr. Ismail, Ali and, representative of Sabah Council of Churches Dean Musa Ambai.