FAM coaching instructor, Gopal Krishnan Ramasamy (seated centre) and UMS Sports Unit director, Mohd Asyraaf Abdullah (seated 4th right) take one for the album with the 24 participants who attended the two-week AFC/FAM Licence C Coaching Course at Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) recently.

24 complete AFC/FAM Licence C Coaching Course

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KOTA KINABALU: Some 24 participants attended the AFC/FAM Licence C Coaching Course conducted at Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) recently.

The course was a joint programme under the Asian Football Confederation and Football Association of Malaysia and organised jointly by the Ministry of Higher Education and UMS.

The two-week course, which comprised theory and practical sessions, attracted participants including 11 UMS staff and 13 from outside the university.

It was conducted from December 8-21 by FAM coaching instructor, Gopal Krishnan Ramasamy.

Gopal Krishnan said FAM is constantly ready to conduct similar courses for government and private organisations that support the development of football.

Meanwhile, according to UMS Sports Unit director, Mohd Asyraaf Abdullah, among the objectives of the programme is to produce higher numbers of qualified football coaches, particularly for UMS and for the state in general.

He said the programme is a platform for aspiring coaches to attain the necessary knowledge and experience for football coaching accreditation and is also part of the university’s efforts to support the development of the sport in the country.

At the end of the course, participants had to sit for three theory and three practical examinations.

Those who passed would receive the Licence C, while those who failed could sit for the exams again.