

# University students to showcase traditional dress at peak of Mt. Kinabalu

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) will record its own history when a group of university students showcased 20 types of traditional dress at the summit of Mount Kinabalu, the highest mountain in Southeast Asia, on November 30.

Deputy Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs and Alumni, Assoc Prof Datuk Dr. Hj. Kasim Md Mansur said the 1Malaysia inaugural program at the peak of Mount Kinabalu will be participated by 30 students and UMS officials.

He said all the climbers will don traditional outfits such as baju Melayu Selangor, Rungus, Murut, Lotud, Kadazan Papar, Kokos, Chinese, Dusun Tidong, Daling-Daling costumes, Sumazau costumes from Penampang, Kota Belud Bajau, Dusun Tatana, Lundayeh, Indian, Gujarat, Bruneian Malay, Kadazan Papar, Baju Istana, Dusun Tindal Sinimpak and Suluk costumes at the peak of Mount Kinabalu.

The theme of the program "Know your origin" is to uphold the legacy of ancestors to a

higher level so that it does not disappear through time.

"Implementation of the 1Malaysia program also indirectly helps to foster the spirit of love and harmony. At the same time, it can also produce intellectual person, creative and competitive to recognize in depth of the tradition of the country," he said.

He said this in his speech during the opening of the 1Malaysia program Peak of Mount Kinabalu, the UMS Student Porch, here, yesterday.

His speech was delivered by the Director of Alumni UMS, Prof. Madya Dr. Mahmud Sudin.

Also present were the Head of Culture and Arts, Department of Student and Alumni Affairs, cum UMS Advisory Culture And Arts Club (Cul'Art) UMS Alan James, Director of Programs at the peak of Mount Kinabalu 1Malaysia Mohd Hafizi Nurodin and participants.

The program was organized by the Division of Culture and Arts, Student Affairs Cul'art UMS.

Kassim said the program is also able to produce competent and talented students in

various areas as well as promoting Sabah cultural to a higher level.

"In addition, it also helps introduce UMS institutions not only in producing graduates with expertise in the academic field but also the fields of culture and arts.

"I hope this initiative will produce graduates who love art, cultural heritage and traditions of

of the diverse Malaysia indirectly artistic culture in themselves," he said.

He also believes that 1Malaysia program at the peak of Mount Kinabalu will be a bridge to strengthening the 1Malaysia concept as well as be a bridge to uphold the legacy of their ancestors, especially the tribal traditional costumes of Malaysia.



Mahmud (center) with program participants at the peak of Mount Kinabalu doing the 1Malaysia gesture, at the event.



Mahmud (centre) giving words of encouragement to the participants of the program.