

More students from Brunei coming to Sabah for further studies

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KOTA KINABALU: More Brunei students are opting to study in Sabah with Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) and Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM) as popular choices.

Consul General of Brunei Darussalam, Haji Zamani Haji Razali said that the good relationship between Brunei in Sabah has seen an increasing number of students from Brunei choosing to pursue tertiary studies in this state.

"It has increased about five to 10 per cent this year compared to last year," he said at the Brunei Darussalam Consulate Raya Open House held at The Palm Court here yesterday.

The event was graced by the Head of State, Tun Juhar Mahiruddin and wife, Toh Puan Norlidah R.M. Jasni and the Chief Minister, Datuk Seri Musa Haji Aman and wife, Datin Faridah Haji Tussin.

Zamani said one of the reasons for choosing Sabah is because of the close proximity between Brunei and Kota Kinabalu.

"The courses in UMS and UiTM here are also different from what we have in Brunei," he added.

He noted that Sabah is also a popular holiday destination for his fellow citizens but Brunei is also in the process of attracting people in Sabah to visit the kingdom.

"We will ensure that it is an ongoing collaboration that benefits both parties," he said adding that Malaysia and Brunei already enjoy strong bilateral relations, Sabah in particular.

At the Raya open house, Zamani and his wife, Ainatol Zahayu Mohammad welcomed about 200 guests to their residence.



(L-R) Zamani, Juhar, Norlidah and Ainatol at the Brunei Darussalam Consulate Raya Open House.



(L-R) Faridah, Musa, Zamani, Ainatol and Zamani's parents at The Palm Court on Sunday.