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UUM ONLINE: The Innovation Day and University Awards Ceremony (HIMPUS) 2021 which took place recently marks the culmination for UUM denizens who provided the best service throughout 2020 despite the whole world being up against the unimaginable and unprecedented challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Chairman of the University Board of Directors, Tan Sri Dr. Mohd Shukor Mahfar said HIMPUS was held specially to celebrate the success of outstanding UUM denizens as well as winners of Research, Publication, Teaching, Learning, Innovation and Quality awards.

"All of you have proven that you have high self -worth by giving your best contribution. I am sure this award is very meaningful and is the pinnacle of success for all of us.

"Regarding self -worth, it has actually been expressed since time immemorial. The elders once advised to be 'light on the bones' when doing any job, in fact it is said that 'light on the bones is heavy on the stomach' which means that whoever works hard, his life will be peaceful and abundant," he said.

He said traits such as kindness, being considerate, friendly, helpful, diligent, positive, ready and enthusiastic to help can unite the denizens of UUM.

According to him, in tandem with the 37-years of the establishment of UUM, the recognition received will inspire the award winners to continue to work hard to further elevate UUM's brand at both national and international levels in line with the vision of making UUM the Eminent Management University.

“My heartiest congratulations and well done to all UUM denizens who have rendered their services in developing UUM. All of us bear witness that our struggle is far from over, in fact our efforts need to be intensified without neglecting the philosophy contained in the motto - Knowledge, Virtue, Service that has become the essence in our efforts to humanize education,” he said.

Meanwhile, the Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Dato' Dr. Ahmad Bashawir Abdul Ghani said HIMPU was organized in line with the government's efforts to make innovation as one of the country's main agenda in transforming the public sector.

According to him, innovation and transformation cannot be disjointed. Both innovation and transformation must be the focus to drive strategies to enable Malaysia to achieve the status of a high-income developed nation.

At the same time, he said, the implementation of the Movement Control Order (MCO) had left a huge impact on the operations and management of the University.

“During the MCO period, all teaching and learning activities for the undergraduate programmes were implemented through 'online learning' or 'remote learning' method, while teaching and learning activities for postgraduate programmes were conducted through Online Distance Learning (ODL),” he said.

A total of 236 staff received the Outstanding Service Award, comprising 24 administrative staff from the Management & Professional group, 136 administrative staff from the Support group and 76 academic staff in addition to honouring ten recipients of the Outstanding Officer Award and presenting two academic staff who successfully completed their PhD on time with the Academic Excellence Incentives.

