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IBTE School of Energy and Engineering Central, programme in Heavy Vehicle Mechanics, at IBTE Mechanical Campus.

Most construction and land transportation industry will not be able to operate without a heavy vehicle mechanic who deals with vehicles such as tractors, huge trucks, buses, trains to name a few. The job of heavy vehicle mechanics require them to inspect the vehicle and engine for any problem, perform to inspect the engine and the vehicle for problems, perform routine maintenance as recommended by the manufacturer, and diagnose and repair any engine problems according to standard procedures. They provide knowledge and skills on processes / procedures in maintaining and servicing heavy vehicle system, such as servicing and maintenance of fleet maintenance workshops for public transport companies, distributors of heavy duty diesel plant and vehicles, service garages and government agencies. Heavy vehicle mechanics work in a variety of industries, many specialize in certain types of vehicles, such as farm equipment, construction equipment or diesel engines.

The Royal Visit

HIS MAJESTY VISITS IBTE AGROTECHNOLOGY CAMPUS

Kg Wasan, February 12, 2019 – His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah Ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam visited IBTE Agro-Technology Campus (IBTE ATC) after partaking in the harvesting ceremony of the Hybrid Variety Paddy Sembada 188 at the KOSEKA paddy field in Kampong Wasan.

Upon arrival to IBTE ATC, His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam was greeted by Yang Mulia Dr. Haji Azman bin Ahmad, permanent Secretary (Higher Education) at the Ministry of Education, and Yang Mulia Dr. Haji Mohd Zamri bin Haji Sabli, the Acting CEO of IBTE.

His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam then proceeded to visit several of the sites in the campus, where displays had been set up to showcase the products of IBTE ATC, including food tasting and the production of Roselle biscuits.

A visit to IBTE ATC's Crop Production Unit provided His Majesty with a closer look at its "Bruherbal Farm" and herbal garden, followed by a tour to one of the greenhouses where a demonstration on growing cucumbers and melons through the method of fertigation technology and troubleshooting hydroponic structure at the polytunnel.



His Majesty was then given a short briefing and tour through a mini exhibition on the Agrobiz project, a collaborative initiative between IBTE and LiveWire Brunei that was initiated on the 23rd of January 2019 involving paddy-planting and development of future young entrepreneurs in the field.



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Next on His Majesty's itinerary was a tour to the veterinary clinic, whereby His Majesty was briefed by IBTE ATC students on the activities conducted by the clinic, and then observing the specimens showcased in the school's "Mini Skeleton Museum".

His Majesty also visited the Agrometro incubator area at the Workshop Working Area, where he was greeted by the manager of Agrometro who is also an alumni of IBTE ATC. Agrometro specializes in providing hydroponic systems for residential homes and schools. This was followed by a briefing on the 2nd year Crop Tech project and the Green School Garden, a project initiated by STEP Centre.



His Majesty and entourage then went to meet the various IBTE ATC alumni entrepreneurs (Syarikat Sinaran Suria, Agrometro Company, Syarikat Seri Asmah, and Znetic Enterprise & Znetic Detailing Solutions) and Next generation (Generasi Pelapis). The visit was commemorated with a group photo, before ending with a luncheon at the IBTE Agro-Technology Campus multi-purpose hall. His Majesty received junjung ziarah from the event's committee.



National Day in Brunei is celebrated every 23rd February commemorating the day when Brunei gained independence from the United Kingdom in 1984.

2019 marks the 35th year since Brunei Darussalam gained its freedom and in this year's celebration 250 students and 50 staffs from the Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE) proudly joined the march past and field performances which took place at the Taman Sir Omar Ali Saifuddien in Bandar Seri Begawan.

Flag hoisting ceremonies were also held across the seven IBTE campuses around the country aimed at promoting cooperation and unity as well as instilling the spirit of patriotism among the students and instructors.





PASUKAN 35 IKRAR HARI KEBANGSAAN NEGARA BRUNEI DARUSSALAM KE-35

Resplendent in the tones of blue and red donning the traditional baju melayu and baju kurung, three IBTE instructors stood proud to be part of the 35th National Day Celebration. What makes it more special is their involvement in the Pledge Reading ceremony, one of the highlights of every Brunei Darussalam National Day Celebration.

Speaking to Cikgu Md Nazirul Hakeem bin Abd Azis, an education officer from IBTE Business Campus, he said that out of hundreds of applicants wanting to be part of the "Pasukan 35 Ikrar" only 43 were chosen and being one of them, he was proud and honoured to be one of the instructors representing IBTE as it shows that IBTE is patriotic and committed to realise Vision 2035. Reading the oath, he felt that he was pledging it on behalf of all IBTE.

Haji Mohammad Alimin Bin Haji Matyassin, an education officer from the School of Information and Communication Technology, IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus said that he attended the audition held at Dewan Citra Budaya MCYS after being nominated by his Head of School and was elated when he made the cut to be part of the 35th National Day Team Oath Readers. He hopes that through his involvement, he can inspire his students to always show patriotism and be ready to be involved in Brunei's auspicious events.

Nur Amanina Auni binti Abdullah, an instructor also from the School of Information and Communication Technology, IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus said that during the audition, they were briefed on what elements will be assessed and focused on. She added that while waiting for their turns, they were made to listen to the past National Day Oath Reading to give them a better idea on how to convey every line of the oath properly in terms of voice projection, intonation and conjunction. When chosen to be part of the "Pasukan 35 Ikrar", Nina was honored and blessed as this was a once in a lifetime opportunity.

For Hakeem, a memorable experience of being part of the "Pasukan 35 Ikrar" was being able to build good ties and network with individuals from other government and private agencies. He added that although coming from various backgrounds, with a common objective in mind, everyone can work together to successfully achieve that one goal together. It shows that to accomplish a goal, it is impossible for one person to realize it, but it is achievable if done together as a group. Alimin believes that his best experience was performing the oath in the audience of His Majesty the Sultan. Nina, on the other hand, said that this experience taught her perseverance both emotionally and physically.

When asked what independence meant to Hakeem he said that it means "we are free from any forms of colonisation, and we are free to build our nation without the interference of other countries so we can have a community that has its own identity and belief, especially in upholding our national philosophy of Malay Islamic Monarchy".

For Alimin, independence to him means "absolute freedom from any interference from other nations. It is a sense of pride for our way of living and our national philosophy which is the Melayu Islam Beraja (Malay Islamic Monarchy)... (it) means providing a platform to aim for a better living for our beloved family while achieving a nation that aspires to contribute in all aspects of development in line with Wawasan Brunei 2035".

To Nina, Brunei's independence symbolises the freedom to be able to stand alone without the help of foreign nations and to stay true to the strong pillars of Melayu Islam Beraja in terms of religion, education, economics, health, sports and welfare of the people of Brunei.





BRUNEI GASTRONOMY week

"What is the Brunei Gastronomy Week? The Brunei Gastronomy Week is a 17-day long event that celebrates our local cuisine. The objective of the event is to celebrate and create awareness of Bruneian cuisine, and in elevating a simple meal to a five-star dish, to be used as part of a fine dining experience at receptions held within or outside the country in the hopes of providing a uniquely Bruneian gastronomical experience to visitors. During this time, restaurants and hotels throughout the nation will be taking local dishes and elevating it to fine dining levels. Last year's event saw hotels and restaurants elevating a simple local dish like the Nasi Katok to a level of sophistication suitable for a five-star dining restaurant. This year, the focus will be on local foods wrapped in banana leaves – often utilised in the preparation of local cuisine, and known for improving the taste and aroma of food. Local staples such as Pais Daging are wrapped and then grilled in banana leaves." -Brunei Tourism.



GASTRONOMY WEEK @ THE LONGHOUSE

The IBTE Longhouse Training Restaurant, School of Hospitality & Tourism continued to create and showcase their culinary artistry during the launch of Brunei Gastronomy Week 2019 at the Ministry of Primary Resources and Tourism.

The event signified the initiation of the 2-week event which started on the 23 February 2019 where a total of 100 students from 5 different groups prepared Bruneian Cuisine at the IBTE Longhouse Training Restaurant, IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus. Chefs from the recognised industry establishments such as The Rizqun International Hotel, Radisson Hotel and restaurants from the PAR Group of Companies, worked alongside our students helping in creating the menu the restaurant served during the Gastronomy Week.





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IBTE @ HIGHER EDUCATION EXPO 2019

The Ministry of Education (MoE) with the Higher Education Division, Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE) and Scholarship Section – launched the Higher Education Expo 2019 at the BRIDEX Hall 2 in Jerudong on the 16th February until the 17th February 2019.

A total of 58 higher educational institutions, including local and international educational services agencies, relevant agencies from the government and private sectors, as well as embassies participated in the expo.

IBTE participated at the Expo on both days and prospective students and parents were invited to visit the IBTE Kiosk during this event. IBTE Officers and instructors were seen onsite assisting prospective students and parents on the programmes that they were interested in.

At the same time current students of IBTE had an opportunity to showcase their products such as the IBTE Longhouse Café from School of Hospitality and Tourism were seen selling variety of baked goods such as scones, brownies, sandwiches and coffee. Students from the YES Centre, School of Business were selling different IBTE Merchandise such as IBTE Shirts, IBTE umbrella, planner and many more. On the other hand, the School of Agro-Technology and Applied Sciences were selling their Butterfly Pea Flower Plant and Sun Dried Butterfly Pea Flower. Among other products of School of Agro-Technology and Applied Sciences are Roselle Biscuits and powder, Agro Soy Milk Drink, Mungbean Juice and Ginger Sweets Drink.





For two days on selected dates across the span of two weeks, IBTE opened its doors to give the public a taste of what studying in IBTE is all about. The Institute held Open Day events at seven campuses to showcase its nine Schools of Specialization. Open Days events are important for both students and IBTE as prospective students need to see what study and career opportunities are available to them before making big decisions on how to spend the next few

years of their life. For IBTE, this is the perfect opportunity to showcase the quality of its education, facilities and career opportunities it can provide to the students.

IBTE welcomes the public to visit its campuses especially parents, O-Level leavers and those who were interested to know more about IBTE and the programmes it offers. Open Day events at IBTE presents a great opportunity for students

OPEN DAY @ IBTE 2019

and parents to talk to the instructors and current students, to tour the campus and its facilities such as the authentic learning centres, labs, workshops, kitchen, restaurant and Mini Plant.

IBTE looks forward to meeting its new students when they join the rest of the IBTE family in the coming intakes.



Yang Berhormat Dayang Siti Rozaimeryanty binti Dato Seri Laila Jasa Haji Abdul Rahman, a member of the Legislative Council and one of the Board of Governors of IBTE in the Belait district last January 2019.

The aim of her visit was to learn more about programmes offered at the IBTE Satellite campuses in the Kuala Belait District, raising students' awareness and exploring ways how IBTE graduates can be on the forefront in the job market with stiff competition from the graduates of other higher institutions.



IBTE BOG MEMBER VISITS IBTE SATELLITE



At IBTE SBC Campus, YB Siti Rozaimeryanty toured the YES Centre ran by the School of Business, followed by a visit to the Multi-Media

room used by School of Information and Communication Technology. She visited the Students' Centre, Staff Centre, Canteen building and ended

with inspecting the School of Energy and Engineering Satellite (SEES) buildings and workshops. She ended her visit with a Q&A session.



At IBTE JBC Campus, YB Siti Rozaimeryanty visited the administration building, SEES buildings i.e. Mini Plant, Instrumentation and Control Engineering Laboratories and Building Services Engineering, School of Information and Communication Technology building, BMA workshops and laboratory. She also met several in-service students from the Navy of The Ministry of Defense.

YB Siti Rozaimeryanty hoped that IBTE continue to encourage its students to be creative and look beyond academic achievements. One of the recommendations she gave was to give recognition and award students who excel in CCA.

TRAINING THE CAREER TEACHERS

A half day training session on introduction to IBTE, navigating IBTE website, and how to use IBTE online application service, Technical Vocational Education Central Admission System (TVECAS) was held for government and private secondary schools career guidance teachers and school counselors, back in early March 2019.

The objective of the training was aimed at providing secondary schools career teachers information about IBTE so they can better support their students, those who are interested in pursuing technical

TRAINING SECONDARY SCHOOLS CAREER TEACHERS

education as a post secondary option. The teachers learned how to maximize the use of the IBTE online prospectus, applying using TVECAS online, as well as learning the answers to the frequently asked questions so that they are better able to guide their students who wish to pursue their studies in technical education. The session was conducted by Cikgu Hj Farhanah Bte OKSW Hj Abdullah, Head of IBTE Corporate Communications and Cikgu Siti Roziana Bte Dato Paduka Hj Mohd Yunos, IBTE HQ Corporate Communications Officer.





The School of Business, IBTE Business Campus organized a two-day event; 'IBTE Business Campus Mini Carnival 2019' as part of the students' practical assessment under Event Management Module for their final semester.

The objectives of the event project were for the students to gain practical experience in management, operational, marketing and financial and application of their leadership skills and team collaboration skills.

Some of the activities organized in the carnival included several games, pet shows and tournaments for the public such as, Mystery Escape Room, Flying Fox, Frisbee Game Challenge, Mini Games, Find Your Friend game, Basketball Tournament, Mobile Legend Tournament, Bunny & Parrot Show, 5 a side Futsal Tournament, Running Man Challenge, Guess Inside Box Challenge, Mini Amazing Race, ROS game, Planner Market Bubbles Activity and Face Painting, Football 7-side, FIFA and Tekken, and Mini Games Challenge.



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