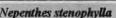
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Nepenthes reinwardtiana



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Nepenthes rafflesiana

Some Nepenthes spp. of Sarawak (photograph courtesy of Qammil Muzzammil Abdullah)



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This year Universiti Malaysia Sarawak is celebrating 20th Anniversary. UNIMAS has achieved outstanding output in various area and plenty more to be achieved in the coming years with the full support and commitment from all. To celebrate the 20 years of excellence, Faculty of Resource Science and Technology has identified various activities which includes conferences, short courses, scientific expedition, training for staffs and others. We are also in the preparation to increase the number of undergraduate and postgraduate students. Academic staffs should play vital role in order to provide excellent education to our students. Current information and knowledge and also proper supervision and hands-on experience are very important to develop student knowledge and also their marketability.

We hope MQA will approve our four new programme namely Food Science and Technology; Microbiology; Aquaculture, Science and Plantation Management and Urban Zoology. This new programme will strengthen our faculty and will be able to increase students significantly.

For the year 2012, the faculty is also in the preparation to establish one more Centre of Excellence based on biological resources and their utilization. This new CoE together with CoESAR will promote research activity and collaboration with other established centres and also to focused research which will have significant impact on research, development and commercialization.

My sincere hope that all academic staff will show high commitment in order to achieve excellent performance in teaching, research, publication, consultancy and also services to the public.

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