

# Exploring teamwork with Chinese varsities

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**B**INTULU: A delegation from Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM) Bintulu Campus recently visited universities in the province of Nanning, Guangxi to explore potential cooperation, short-term mobility and the promotion of postgraduate programmes.

The visit was led by Associate Prof. Dr Wong Tze Jin, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities, Management, and Science.

According to Dr Wong, it was aimed at introducing UPM Bintulu Campus as a higher education institution that focuses on agriculture, in line with agricultural vocational education.

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In addition, the delegation also held a discussion on a short-term mobility programme that will increase the visibility of the campus.

“UPMKB always supports efforts to drive collaboration between international higher

education institutions to support Sarawak’s aspirations to become a respected higher education hub globally,” said Wong.

During the visit the delegation also emphasised UPM’s focus as a university dedicated to food security, especially in increasing agricultural productivity and innovation.

Among the universities visited were Guangxi Vocational University of Agriculture, Nanning Vocational and Technical University (NVTU), Nanning University, Guangxi Minzu University, and Guangxi University of Finance and Economics (GXUFE).

The delegation comprised Dr Alvin Lim Teik Zheng from the Department of Science and Technology, Faculty of Humanities, Management, and Science, as well as Muhammad Syafiq Farhan Boo Omar Boo, head of Mobility Section, Putra International Centre (i-PUTRA), UPM.