

Headline **Minister receives doctorate**
Date **19. Oct 2008**
Media Title **New Sunday Times**
Section **Local News**
Circulation **171518**
Readership **611000**

Language **ENGLISH**
Page No **24**
Article Size **119** cm2
Frequency **Weekly**
Color **Full Color**
AdValue **2468.48**



Md Isa@Yusoff Md Hassan, 58, and his wife Rahimah Muhamad, 55, congratulating each other after receiving their bachelor's degree at the UUM convocation.



Minister receives doctorate

SERDANG: Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Dr Ahmad Zahid Hamidi was among 176 graduates who received their PhD at Universiti Putra Malaysia's 32nd convocation here yesterday.

Zahid received a PhD in Communication, making him Malaysia's first minister to complete a doctorate while in service.

"I had to rush here and there to complete my assignments, and sometimes had to make changes when my research presentation was rejected by the evaluation panel. But that did not stop me."

Meanwhile at Universiti Utara Malaysia's

21st convocation ceremony in Sintok, Kedah, yesterday, Sultan of Kedah, Tuanku Abdul Halim Mu'adzam Shah proposed that UUM be the pioneer in producing graduates with education in Social Capital.

He said this would help foster greater harmony, peace and prosperity among the people. He added that with this, the younger generation could open up their minds to alternative models that could ensure peace and prosperity in society.

"We tend to see things from our own cultural perspective and interests, and this has resulted in us hurting the feelings of others."