RANKED SECOND AFTER UM

UTP jumps 14 places in Times Higher Education rankings

KUALA LUMPUR: Universiti Teknologi Petronas (UTP) has jumped 14 places to 77th position in the Times Higher Education (THE) rankings.

Last year, it was ranked 91st best among the universities in the Brazil, Russia, India and China region and emerging economies.

Its acting vice-chancellor, Professor Dr Mohamed Ibrahim Abdul Mualib said, “The recognition by THE is an accomplishment that we are proud of, and we will strive to move up the rankings.

“Everyone’s continuous dedication and commitment in ensuring excellence through initiatives, such as teaching and research activities, and other university operations are reflected in this ranking.”

The latest ranking has placed UTP among the top 100 of the best research-led universities in the developing world, while in Malaysia, it is ranked second after Universiti Malaya (UM), which takes the 27th spot.

Seven other Malaysian universities also made it into the rankings, namely Universiti Teknologi Malaysia at 101, Universiti Putra Malaysia at 108, Universiti Tunku Abdul Rahman at 114, Universiti Sains Malaysia at 135, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia at 151 and Universiti Tenaga Nasional 159.

Universiti Utara Malaysia made it within the 251-300 band.

UTP recorded an overall mark of 32.0 and UM, 40.9. UTP scored the highest in industry income (87.5 per cent) in Malaysia and second in Malaysia after UM for international outlook (63.2 per cent).

Meanwhile, more than 350 institutions from 42 countries are classified by the Financial Times Stock Exchange as “advanced emerging”, “secondary emerging” and “frontier”.

The ranking uses the same 13 performance indicators as the THE World University Rankings.

The indicators are grouped into five areas: teaching (learning environment), research (volume, income and reputation), citations (research influence), international outlook (staff, students and research), and industry income (knowledge transfer). Bernama