

Award is recognition of UTeM's efforts to drive education excellence, says VC

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MELAKA: Universiti Teknikal Malaysia Melaka (UTeM) will continue to affirm its excellence as a leading technical higher education institution, says its vice-chancellor.

Prof Datuk Dr Massila Kamalrudin said UTeM remains committed to empowering students' potential through high-innovation learning methods, strengthening its impactful research ecosystem, and broadening access to future technologies and skills.

She said that these initiatives are ultimately aimed at producing holistic, highly competent graduates capable of competing on a global stage.

Massila made this comment in a statement to The Star after UTeM was named the recipient of the National Education Innovation Award at the Empowering Education Summit 2025, held at a prominent hotel in Penang.

The prestigious award was presented by the Chief Minister of Penang, Chow Kon Yeow and was witnessed by the Education Minister Fadhlina Sidek on Monday (April 21).

Accepting the award on behalf of UTeM was Prof Dr Zulkiflie Ibrahim, deputy vice-chancellor (academic and international) who represented Massila.

Massila said that the award signifies high recognition of UTeM's outstanding efforts in driving education innovation grounded in technology, human values and future-oriented thinking.

"This recognition is in line with the core focus of the Higher Education Transformation 2025, particularly in the area of 'Developing the Nation's Finest Talent'.

"It also stems from the framework of UTeM's Strategic Plan 2023-2025, which centres on five key pillars that directly support the culture of innovation within UTeM's educational approach," she added.

The one-day Empowering Education Summit 2025 brought together educational leaders, institutional heads, and collaborative partners from across the country, united in their mission to shape a more inclusive and progressive Malaysian education landscape.

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