## Public Perception of Perlis Maju 2015 Plan

KANGAR, 25 January— The community of Perlis recognized the state government's effort in making Perlis a developed state by 2015. Vice-Chancellor of Universiti Malaysia Perlis (UniMAP), Brig. Gen. Datuk Prof. Emeritus Dr. Kamarudin Hussin said, a study conducted by the Institute of Strategic Studies, Leadership and Community (IKSK) UniMAP covers five main aspects of economic, social, infrastructure, environment and government administration, to look at the public's perception on the state development plan of Perlis Maju 2015.

"The results of the surveys conducted from 2012 to 2014 shows encouraging result and the people of Perlis are very keen in assisting the government to develop Perlis in becoming a better place", said Dr Kamarudin.

"From the graph, we noticed that the people of Perlis stays positive with the government's effort in developing Perlis; where statistic shows an increment from 87.7% in 2013 to 93.8% in 2014," reported Dr Kamarudin during the presentation of a study on the perception of people in Perlis towards the State Agenda in conjuction with the convention of Perlis Maju at Dewan Warisan, Kangar.

Also present at convention are Perlis State Minister, Datuk Seri Azlan Man, Speaker of the State of Perlis, Hamdan Bahari, Perlis State Secretary, Ahmad Zamri Khairuddin.

Dr Kamarudin added that the perception of the Perlis citizen in the category of infrastructure development has also increased from 85.1% in 2013 to 90.3% in 2014; while, in another category- the advancement of services increased from 80.7% in 2013 to 93.8% in 2014.

"As for the perception on the progress of utilities advancement and state government management rose from 88.1 % to 92.4% and 57.4% to 90.4% for 2013 and 2014," he said.

During the convention, the Director of Perlis State Economic Planning Unit, Izamael Zamzuri Ismail also presents on performance reports of the state agenda, while, Vice Chancellor of Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Prof. Datuk Dr. Noor Azlan Ghazali talks on the assessments and summary for the overall performance of Perlis state government agenda.

Perlis Maju 2015 is a major agenda for the Perlis state government, in line with the government effort to provide a conducive environment for its citizens. Therefore, the state has established 53 indicators to ensure that the mission of making Perlis a developed state is achieved.

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Meanwhile at the same event, a total of 14 secretariat of Perlis Maju 2015 from UniMAP and other government agencies were given a certificate of appreciation from the Perlis state government for their contributions to the agenda of Perlis Maju 2015.

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