

## Geneva 06 : KUKUM Achieves International Recognition

**After** achieving a number of success stories for the past two years in local research exhibitions and competitions, KUKUM is now looking for international recognition. In line with this, KUKUM sent four inventions to take part in the 34<sup>th</sup> international exhibition of inventions, held from 5<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> of April 2006 at Hall 7, Geneva Palexpo, Switzerland, for the very first time. Here new techniques and products from all over the world were exhibited at one of the most established inventor exhibitions in the world.

Four inventors were selected based on their achievement in winning medals in the local circuit, of either ITEX 2005 or IPTA Research Exhibition 2005.

KUKUM won one gold medal and two silver medals in the Geneva exhibition. The gold medal was given to Che Mohd. Ruzaidi Ghazali and his group from the Sustainable Engineering Cluster for their invention, '*KUKUM Artificial Marble*' which is based on "Batu Reput".

Assoc. Prof. Dr. Uda Hashim and his co-researchers from Microelectronic and Nanotechnology Cluster, won the silver for '*Affordable and Effective Microelectronic*



*Engineering Teaching Package for Undergraduate Programme*'. Another silver went to Assoc. Prof. Dr. Mohd. Rizon Mohamed Juhari of the Autonomous System and Machine Vision, for '*Biometric Identification: Face Recognition Based on Iris Detection*'.

The KUKUM delegation was graced by the presence of KUKUM's Chancellor, DYMM Tuanku Syed Faizuddin Putra Ibnu Tuanku Syed Sirajuddin Jamalullail. His Highness was accompanied by Prof. Dato' Dr. Kamarudin Hussin, Rector and Assoc. Prof. Dr. Zul Azhar Zahid Jamal, Deputy Rector (Research & Innovation) during the visit.