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Congratulations IBTE Graduates 2019

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MINISTER OF EDUCATION FOREWORD

Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Hamzah bin Haji Sulaiman, Minister of Education

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh

Today we are celebrating the 27th Institute of Brunei Technical Education (IBTE) Convocation as 2037 students take the next step in their personal journey. Whether it is to pursue higher education or to join the workforce, the path you choose after today will InsyaAllah open up to more opportunities and challenges.

As our country is moving through the Industry 4.0, it is imperative that we equip ourselves with the right aptitude and attitude. This is in line with His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzadin Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam's titah during the Universiti



Brunei Darussalam's 30th Convocation ceremony on 29th September 2019 who has highlighted the importance of "21st century skills" that embrace digital technology in a rapidly changing market.

IBTE cannot do it alone without the support from its stakeholders, be it the relevant government agencies or its numerous industry partners. It is this shared responsibility between the public and private sectors that can enable us to build an inclusive, sustainable and empowered, future ready workforce. His Majesty has also called for the participation of all stakeholders, be it the public or private sector, the whole society, the academia and graduates to come together in mobilizing a

knowledge-based nation. It takes the Whole of Nation approach to achieve Wawasan Brunei 2035.

The Ministry of Education is committed towards ensuring that students will become Future Ready Youth through the development and implementation of the Ministry's Strategic Plan. The transformation of TVET is to ensure graduates are job-ready and employable, by shifting from being a supply-driven to a demand-driven system. IBTE under its Strategic Plan 2019-2024 seeks to ensure that TVET programmes are not only aligned and up-to-date, but also meet the needs of stakeholders.

Your journey in IBTE has not only been to gain the relevant knowledge and skills for your future careers, but it was also to develop your strength and capacity in an everchanging and challenging environment.

Today we are celebrating an important day in your life that has been achieved through your perseverance, dedication and hard work but most importantly with the blessings of Allah Subhanahu Wa Ta'ala. You will face many obstacles and challenges, but remember the spirit and commitment that has enabled you to reach this stage in your life will continue to let you do better and bigger things in the future.

Once again, my warmest congratulations to you all.



IBTE CEO FOREWORD

Dr. Haji Mohd Zamri bin Haji Sabli Acting CEO of IBTE

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh

Syukur Alhamdulillah, you have successfully demonstrated your capabilities and made your way to the finish line of your studies. This also marks the starting line of your professional careers and further education. I hope you will excel in your future endeavours and continue to serve as worthy ambassadors of IBTE and inspiring those who are studying and thinking about joining IBTE.

It is what you have done and accomplish in life that counts, not what is written on the piece of paper you hold when you leave this institution. Your excellent results need to translate into action.

As individuals, you are bound to face challenges that are insurmountable and I exhort you to draw on the many skills you have acquired during your study with us – the problem-solving skills, the social skills as well as the life skills when facing these trials. Regardless of the path you choose, these skills will be able to steer you through any life challenges.

As you proudly receive and hold your certificates in your hands, know that your hard work, persistence and sacrifice have paid off. When you celebrate this momentous moment with your family, friends, and the IBTE community, remember that the knowledge and skills you have gained can contribute to the development of our beloved nation and I strongly urge all graduates to look out for opportunities, embrace the challenges and make Brunei proud.

In closing, on behalf of our instructors and staff, I congratulate you on all your achievements and wish you a bright future filed with boundless opportunities.

Your journey begins today. All the best!

IBTE CHAIRPERSON FORWARD

Yang Mulia Datin Seri Paduka Dr. Hajah Romaizah binti Haji Mohd Salleh Deputy Minister of Education

Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh

I would like to congratulate IBTE for their hard work and commitment in producing 2,037 graduates this year. To the graduates, let this be one of the most memorable events in your life, as it shows to the world that you have persevered and that you are now ready and are prepared to begin the next chapter in your life journey.

2019 marks five years since IBTE has undergone its transformation to reposition



itself to becoming more relevant and responsive to the nation's need. By ensuring its graduates are job-ready and employable, IBTE has shifted from being a supply-driven to a demand-driven system.

In the era of Industrial Revolution 4.0, innovation and technology are significantly shaping the future workplace and competencies. In this regard, I look forward to the new IBTE Strategic Plan for 2019-2024 which aims to prepare an effective

TVET education system towards Industrial Revolution 4.0. It is indeed an exciting moment for IBTE as technical and vocational education will be facing new challenges that are fluid and uncertain.

Under the new Strategic Plan, IBTE aims to become a dynamic technical educational institution embracing lifelong learning, as we enter a world characterized by advances in technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, big data and analytics, internet of things and robots. We need to have these elements as we adapt to the changing demands of the workplace. The plan will focus on three key strategic areas including quality teaching and learning; sustainable corporate governance and effective strategic collaboration with stakeholders.

IBTE will continue to work together with its partners, both public and private sectors in order to ensure that the new Strategic Plan is articulated. Through quarterly performance reviews, targeted strategic initiatives and outreach to leaders and education stakeholders in assessing the progress and garner engagement, together we can achieve the strategic goals and outcomes outlined in this new plan. Thank you.





INTERESTING FACTS

A total of 2037 IBTE students are graduating this October 2019.

Almost half have secured employment /will be pursuing their studies.

35 graduates from HNTec
Mechanical Engineering,
NTec Mechining and
NTec Welding have been
employed by Brunei
Fertilizer Industry (BFI)
and are now undergoing
training at Institut
Teknologi Petroleum
Petronas (INSTEP) in
Terengganu, Malaysia for 4
months and then to Bintulu
Fertilizer Plant for 1 Year.

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HIS MAJESTY VISITS IBTE AGROTECHNOLOGY CAMPUS

KG WASAN, FEBRUARY 12, 2019 – His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah Ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam visited IBTE Agro-Technology Campus (IBTE ATC) after partaking in the harvesting ceremony of the Hybrid Variety Paddy Sembada 188 at the KOSEKA paddy field in Kampong Wasan.

Upon arrival to IBTE ATC, His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam was greeted by Yang Mulia Dr. Haji Azman bin Ahmad, Permanent Secretary (Higher Education) at the Ministry of Education, and Yang Mulia Dr. Haji Mohd Zamri bin Haji Sabli, the Acting CEO of IBTE.

His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam then proceeded to visit several of the sites in the campus, where displays had been set up to showcase the products of IBTE ATC, including food tasting and the production of Roselle biscuits.

A visit to IBTE ATC's Crop Production Unit provided His Majesty with a closer look at its 'Bruherbal Farm' and herbal garden, followed by a tour to one of the greenhouses where a demonstration on growing cucumbers and melons through the method of fertigation technology and troubleshooting hydroponic structure at the polytunnel.



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His Majesty was then given a short briefing and tour through a mini exhibition on the Agrobiz project, a collaborative initiative between IBTE and LiveWire Brunei that was initiated on the 23rd of January 2019 involving paddy-planting and development of future young entrepreneurs in the field.



Next on His Majesty's itinerary was a tour to the veterinary clinic, whereby His Majesty was briefed by IBTE ATC students on the activities conducted by the clinic, and then observing the specimens showcased in the school's "Mini Skeleton Museum".

His Majesty also visited the Agrometro incubator area at the Workshop Working Area, where he was greeted by the manager of Agrometro who is also an

alumni of IBTE. Agrometro specializes in providing hydrophonic systems for residential homes and schools. This was followed by a briefing on the 2nd year Crop Tech project and the Green School Garden, a project initiated by STEP Centre.



with a luncheon at the IBTE Agro-Technology Campus multi-purpose hall. His Majesty received junjung ziarah

from the event's committee.





THE IBTE-INDUSTRY COLLABORATION

THE INTERNATIONAL AND INDUSTRY LINKAGES DIVISION (IILD) is responsible in establishing effective collaboration between industries and international partners with IBTE HQ and campuses. IBTE's Dual System Apprenticeship programme is an example of a long established IBTE-industry collaboration where IBTE has signed a total of 74 Memorandum of Understandings (MOUs) with industry partners from Automotive, Building Services, Hospitality and Telecommunication Industry.

Since its transformation in 2014, IILD aims to actively seek potential opportunities to enhance quality teaching and learning by creating win-win situations between schools and industry partners. By closely collaborating with the industry sector, it will enable IBTE graduates to achieve their fullest potential who are highly competent, socially responsible and responsive to the changes in the economy, technology and social development.

Furthermore, the close partnership with industry stakeholders allows the industry sector to share their skills and knowledge in developing human capital by collaborating with IBTE through various programmes that help to nurture job ready graduates.

Aside from engaging with industry partners for collaborative programmes, IILD is also responsible to provide support for students' industrial attachments, nationally and internationally, as well as the establishment and maintenance of IBTE's Dual System Apprenticeship programmes.

In addition to engaging in industrial collaboration, IILD is also responsible to look after the international affairs matters particularly UNESCO-UNEVOC and BIMP-EAGA Socio-Cultural Clusters.

It is with hope that in the near future, IILD will aim to look to enhance the collaboration with industry partners to support the development of technical education by expanding its apprenticeship schemes to other industry sector areas.





74 SIGNED
MEMORANDUM OF
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INDUSTRY PARTNERS
FROM AUTOMOTIVE,
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TELECOMMUNICATION
INDUSTRY PARTNERS

LIVEWIRE INKS MOU ON AGROBIZ **PROJECT**

IN JANUARY 2019, LiveWire Brunei and IBTE signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) that aimed to support the development of agropreneurs in Brunei Darussalam. Agropreneurs and thus contribute to

The Deputy Minister of Education, Yang Mulia Datin Seri Paduka Dr. Hajah Romaizah binti Haji Mohd Salleh and also IBTE BOG chairperson witnessed the

Present for the ceremony were ambassadors from several ASEAN countries, permanent secretaries and

deputy permanent secretaries from the Ministries of Education and Primary Resources and Tourism respectively as well as Directors, Managers and senior officers from several government agencies, Brunei Shell Petroleum Company Sdn Bhd (BSP) leaders and community leaders.

In support of His Majesty's wish to see more development in the agricultural sector as well as increased youth involvement in this sector, the MoU between LiveWIRE Brunei and IBTE was to carry out the LiveWIRE Agrobiz Padi Agropreneur which aimed to provide training opportunities for Brunei the national strategy on food security to improve self-sufficiency in rice production to 30% by 2025.

The AgroBiz project which is funded by BSP through LiveWIRE Brunei will run for a period of 3 1/2 years or up to 6 cycles of planting seasons.

The first planting cycle will begin in October and managed by 10 students under the supervision of an appointed project manager. Each AgroBiz scheme participant were offered to take up the LiveWIRE Business Award Start-up Funding Scheme (BasFs) to start their respective business upon successfully completing the course.



ACCELERATING YOUR BUSINESS IDEAS

LiveWIRE Brunei is a BSP Social Investment flagship which aims at grooming and mentoring current and future entrepreneurs. This is one of BSP's commitments towards nurturing and developing local business competencies, capabilities and competitiveness in particular for long-term sustainability of Brunei Darussalam's private sector economy.









IN JULY 2019, The first batch of Ten local youth have enrolled in the AgroBiz project to develop 10 hectares of paddy fields at IBTE Agro-Technology Campus in Kampong Wasan utilising high-yield friendly materials such as the cultivation rice varieties and modern machinery.

The project was aimed at producing skilled and trained agropreneurs - people with both agricultural and business skills.

LiveWIRE Brunei has provided the best infrastructure and training for the participants, including the use of drones for fertiliser spraying, organic and ecoof companion crops (sunflower or saffron) as a natural pesticide, vertical participants were also provided with the best technical and commercial training conducted by local and international

experts in the subject matter including entrepreneurship and commercial farm management.

After the completion of their training, LiveWIRE Brunei will provide funds for the participants to start their businesses rice dryers, and harvesting rainfall to be through the Business Start-up Funding channelled into water reservoirs. The Scheme - an interest-free loan scheme with flexible payments for up to three



PJSC-IBTE MOU SIGNING



Witnessing the signing was Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Dr Haji Mohd Amin Liew Abdullah, Minister at The Prime Minister's Office and Minister of Finance and Economy II at the Ministry of Finance and Economy who is also the Chairman of the Board of Directors, PJSC.

June 2019.

Also attending and witnessing the event was Yang Mulia Datin Seri Paduka Dr Hajah Romaizah binti Haii Mohd, Salleh, Deputy Minister of Education cum Chairperson of IBTE, Board of Governors.

In attendance were also Yang Mulia Dr Chin Wei Keh, Deputy Permanent Secretary (Higher Education), Ministry of Education, Members of Board of Directors of PJSC and Board of Governors of IBTE and senior officials from both organizations.

Signing on behalf of IBTE was Yang Mulia Hajah Mariah binti Haji Abd Manaf, Acting Director of Technical Education and Acting CEO, IBTE



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signed on behalf of PJSC.





expressed their intention to establish. promote and develop collaboration within the scope of their mandates and sphere of competences in the fields of education and training programmes of mutual interest. This marks the strong commitment of both agencies in providing quality and competent workforce for the development of the country by providing the students and trainees with the knowledge and necessary

and Yang Mulia, Dr Haji Mazrul Adimin bin

Haji Awang Besar, Executive Director of PJSC,

The collaboration between IBTE and PJSC started in April 2016 and currently there are 3 training programmes being conducted namely Diploma in Operating Theater Assistant, Diploma in Palliative Nursing and NTec in Caregivers (Cancer Care). The duration for the training programmes is in accordance with the programme guide and may run for a period of 12 months to 24 months.

For more information on the requirements for the programmes mentioned in this article, head to ibte.edu.bn/prospectus



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IBTE CONTINUING EDUCATION Under the Academic Upgrading pillar, **AND TRAINING**

THE CONTINUING EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIVISION (IBTE CET), Institute of Brunei Technical Education has been in existence since 1958. The main role of IBTE CET is to create and provide lifelong learning opportunities and education progression for adult learners and school leavers in various fields. The short courses and programmes offered by IBTE CET are designed to meet the demands and needs of the public. The courses and programmes offered by IBTE CET are classified into four (4) pillars, which

- (1) Academic Upgrading
- (2) Community Development
- (3) Skills Training/Workforce Development
- (4) International/Professional/Industrial Certificates



courses such as Brunei Cambridge GCE 'O' Level Examination Preparation course and GCE 'A' Level Academic Upgrading Programme are offered. The courses under this pillar will help participants to acquire the relevant knowledge and skills to sit for the public examinations in order to meet the admission requirements for post-secondary study or to apply for jobs.

Under the Community Development pillar, courses such as Sewing courses, Cooking courses and Al-Qur'an Recitation programme are offered to the public. Through these courses, participants will acquire knowledge and skills to enrich their interest in various

Under the Skills Training / Workforce Development pillar, courses such as Typing; Shorthand, Fashion Design and Language Proficiency courses are offered with the aim of helping participants to acquire the relevant knowledge and skills for upskilling or employment purposes, which is in line with the demands of the industries and economic needs of the country.

Under the International/Professional/ Industrial Certificates pillar, the courses offered are those which are requested by government agencies or private companies, in order to provide training to their employees. The training courses under this pillar are customised to address the employees' skills gap and is a working collaboration between IBTE and the relevant



JAPANESE LANGUAGE COURSE

Amongst the various courses offered by IBTE CET, the most popular courses are those under Language Proficiency, such as Japanese Language course, Mandarin Language course and Korean Language course. Each of the Language courses are separated into different levels, which are Beginner level I, Beginner level II and Beginner level III.

Of all the language courses, The IBTE CET Japanese Language course is the most highly-sought after as participants in this course are not only taught by IBTE CET course instructors, but will also experience being taught by a Japanese national, sent to Brunei by the Japan Foundation.

The "NIHONGO Partners" Program is a program under the Japan Foundation, in which selected Japanese citizens are dispatched to various secondary schools and learning institutions in Asia, in order to support the local Japanese Language teachers and students. The assignment of the "NIHONGO Partners" is not only to support the educational activities of the local Japanese language teachers, but also to spread the charms of the Japanese language and cultures through their learning support and cultural activities in and outside the classroom. This program also aims to deepen mutual understanding and expand exchanges between Japan and Asia.



and opportunities to study in Japan. Another event which IBTE CET is involved in is the Japanese Speech Contest. The Japanese Speech Contest is an annual event, which is organised by the Embassy of Japan in Brunei Darussalam, in collaboration with the Language Centre, Universiti Brunei Darussalam and IBTE CET. The contest aims to encourage Japanese language learners to strive for greater excellence as well as



As of 2019, a total of four (4) "NIHONGO Partners" have been dispatched to Brunei Darussalam since the year 2016.

The "NIHONGO Partners" have helped participants under the IBTE CET Japanese language courses to better understand the language and culture of Japan. They not only support the learning of Japanese language and culture inside the classroom, but also help to promote the learning of Japanese language and culture outside the classroom and to the students and staff of IBTE. One of the ways this is done was through Aikido Demonstrations. Students and staff of IBTE schools were able to learn about the Japanese self-defence and non-violent martial art, Aikido, from the NIHONGO Partner in 2018.

The 2019 NIHONGO Partner promoted the Japanese food and cuisine to IBTE CET Cooking course instructors as well as students from IBTE School of Hospitality & Tourism, through a Japanese Food Cooking Demonstration. The invited instructors and students were shown how to make two types of Japanese dishes; the 'Hiroshimastyle Okonomiyaki' and Edamame soup.

IBTE CET has a strong working relationship with the Embassy of Japan, in matters relating to the learning of Japanese language. The Embassy of Japan through the Japan Foundation not only provide a NIHONGO Partner to IBTE CET, but IBTE CET are also invited to participate in events



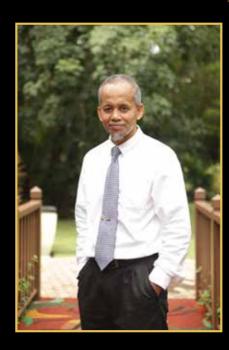


CIKGU LIM KIAN BOON **IBTE Deputy CEO (Development)** IBTE Headquarters





"Action speaks louder than words"



"God rewards every effort you make, not just the result. A really special teacher is very smart, and sees tomorrow in every student's eyes. So continue your efforts as a sincere, dedicated teacher and always be ready in any situation.'



EXCELLENT TEACHER AWARD 2019

29TH TEACHER DAY AWARDS

THE CELEBRATIONS held at the International Salleh, Cikgu Hjh Rohana binti Hj Hamdan, Cikgu Hjh Convention Centre (ICC) this year, saw His Noorafidah binti Hj Abdullah, and Cikgu Pg Hassan bin Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Pg Hj Abdul Rahman were awarded the Teachers Day Waddaulah ibni Al-Marhum Sultan Haji Omar 'Ali Appreciation Award. Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien, Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam presenting awards Congratulations and may you continue to help and inspire to 27 educators in recognition and appreciation of their contribution to Brunei's education development.

Out of the 27, six (6) were from IBTE. Cikgu Lim Kian Boon and Cikgu Zulkipli bin Hamid received the Excellent Teacher Award; and Cikgu Hjh Rohani binti Hj Mohd

our students.

CIKGU HJH ROHANI BINTI HJ MOHD SALLEH

Head of School of Information, **Communication and Technology IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus**



"Be committed, sincere and patient in educating students as they are the future of our nation. Let the student be creative and innovative for their minds to grow, but with guidance.'

CIKGU HJH NOORAFIDAH BINTI HJ ABDULLAH **School of Energy and Engineering** Central IBTE Nakhoda Ragam Campus



"To be a better and succesful teacher is not easy, regardless of how long we have been teaching, new or senior, most importantly is to not be ashamed to ask for help and to start from the begining no matter who we are, the more you learn the more you know!'

CIKGU HJH ROHANA BINTI HJ HAMDAN School of Hospitality and Tourism IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus



"Teaching is the profession that teaches all the other professions.

CIKGU PG MOHAMMAD HASSAN 🕹 BIN PG HJ ABDUL RAHMAN School of Energy and Engineering **IBTE Sultan Bolkiah Campus**



"Be positive, be confident and have courage! Most importantly, always give your best every time and enjoy the journey.'



AUSTIN NGALANG
BARING ANAK MELAYU
HNTec in Mechanical
Engineering



MUHAMMAD AKMAL
SYAFIQ BIN ABDULLAH
JASSEN
HNTec in Agrotechnology



NUR SYAZRINAH
NABILAH BINTI
HAJI ANUAR
HNTec in Geomatics



AINUL BASIRAH
BINTI JOHARI
HNTec in Business
and Finance



HJH FIFY NUR FATIN
BINTI MOHAMMAD
FIRDAUS LAW
HNTec in Hospitality
Operations

IBTE BEST STUDENT AWARD 2019

MOHAMMAD SHAHRUL
SHAFIE BIN SHUKRI
HNTec in Information
Technology



NURZAIDAH BINTI AWANG MAHMUD NTec in Assistant Nurse (Dental)



AWANGKU ABDUL AZIZ
BIN PENGIRAN HAJI
ABD. RAHMAN
NTec in Armament and
Instrument Maintenance







MUHAMMAD HARIZUDDIN
BIN HAJI ROSLI
NTec in Information Technology











IBTE BEST STUDENT AWARD 2019

MOHAMMAD NAZWAN
BIN DUA
ISQ in Heavy Vehicle Driver





WHERE THE LEARNING CONTINUES

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Technology

IBTE STUDENT SPECIAL AWARD 2019

PG MD KHAIRUL
ARIFFIN BIN PG SABTU
NTec in Armament and
Instrument Maintenance



FAKHRIAH BINTI HAJI YAKOP HNTec in Hospitality Operations



IBTE STUDENT SPECIAL AWARD 2019

NURATIKAH
BINTI IDRIS
HNTec in Information
Technology



THE SCHOOL OF HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM, IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus, Jalan Muara, hosted the National Skills Competition held in the ASEAN Kitchen of the school.

The competition's purpose was to select two candidates to represent Brunei Darussalam in the next Worldskills ASEAN to be held in Singapore in July 2020. The competition aims "to promote craft courses to young students and allow participants to be innovative and creative as well as update skills for industry."

According to the Chief Judge of the competition, Cikgu Hajah Rohana binti Haji Hamdan, the participants were assessed based on two areas, 'Hygiene, Safety, Preparation & Production' and 'Food Tasting and Presentation'.

Four participants representing different educational institutes in Brunei Darussalam took part in the competition, namely Muhammad Syamim Hakeemi bin Zulhilme, Abdul Wafi bin Yura Mawardi from the Youth Development Centre and Mawaddatuw Warahmah binte Abdullah, Nur Nadiatul Athirah binti Rosman from the School of Hospitality and Tourism, IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus.

Each contestant was tasked to prepare a 3-course meal, Soup, Main Course and Dessert which were then judged by the experts.

Nur Nadiatul Athirah binti Rosman emerged as the winner of the competition followed by Mawaddatuw Warahmah binti Abdullah who bagged second place, while third place goes to Muhammad Syamum Hakeemi bin Zulhilme and fourth place goes to Abdul Wafi bin Yura Mawardi. Certificate of Achievement were presented to all the contestants.

The First and second runner ups will be representing Brunei in one of the prestigious competition, the Worldskills ASEAN Singapore in July 2020.

Nadiatulfelt excited and nervous at the same time winning the National Skills 2019. She explained that she was motivated to prove to herself and others that it is possible to achieve anything if you focus and work hard. Nadiatul successfully plated a Strawberry Chocolate Cream Cheese Tart to the judges which was inspired by her pastry instructor at the School of Hospitality and Tourism. She is looking forward to the Worldskills ASEAN Singapore 2020 Competition and hopes to



F & B INDUSTRY EXPERTS JUDGES FOR THE NATIONAL SKILLS COMPETITION

Chef Rijal bin Othman, The Rizqun International hotel
Chef Zamrul Hafizi bin Mohammad Ismail, Mulia Hotel
Chef Mohd Shahril bin Abu Rahim, Royal Brunei Catering
Chef Samual Sak, Brunei Hotel

Cikgu Nur Juliana Lo binti Abdullah and Cikgu Mumtazah binti Haji Omarali, School of Hospitality and Tourism , IBTE

Cikgu Nur'aeidah binti haji Kamis and Cikgu Norhani binti Haji Sawal, Youth Development Centre bring back medals for Brunei Darussalam and for herself, as well as gain new knowledge and experience. Nadiatul hopes that the younger generation in Brunei Darussalam will open their eyes and minds to enter competitions like these to learn and upgrade their skills and creativity in this field.

The second runner up Mawaddatuw feels lucky and happy to be selected to be in the prestigious competition. According to her, all the dishes she prepared were difficult in their own way, but the most challenging one would be the Beef Consume. It may look easy but if you used the wrong technique, you would not get the Beef Consume right. As for the dessert, she presented a unique Deconstructed Lemon Meringue Pie and one of the difficulties she faced was to make sure that the sugar pastry did not crack or fall when plating.



Overall, despite the challenges she enjoyed the competition as it allows her to show her creativity skills in decorating. Mawaddatuw, motivated by her family and cooking competition/programmes on television, made her step up her game and take the chance to show what she can do it.

Both girls are ready to practice and polish their skills before competiting with other competitors from around the world next year. One advice given by the Expert representing Brunei Darussalam, Cikgu Pg Haji Mohd Wahab bin Pg Haji Abdullah to the two participants was to "Follow the rythm of the competition, remember to focus on what you need to and i wish the both of them the best of luck".

The whole of IBTE wishes Nur Nadiatul and Mawaddatuw the best of luck in preparing for the competition next year in Singapore 2020!

OUR PARTICIPATION IN ASC

Previously known as the department of Hospitality and Tourism, Maktab Teknik Sultan Saiful Rijal, The School of Hospitality and Tourism began taking part in the ASEAN Skills Competition since 2001 winning multiple medals and accolades such as Diploma of Excellence. Below is the list of students and their achievements in the competition:

3rd ASEAN Skills Competition, Thailand (2001) *Hajah Shahriana Haji Wahid, Gold Medal*

4th ASEAN Skills Competition, Indonesia (2002)Rosuhani Haji Wahid, Silver Medal
Muhammad Haji Mus, Diploma of Excellence

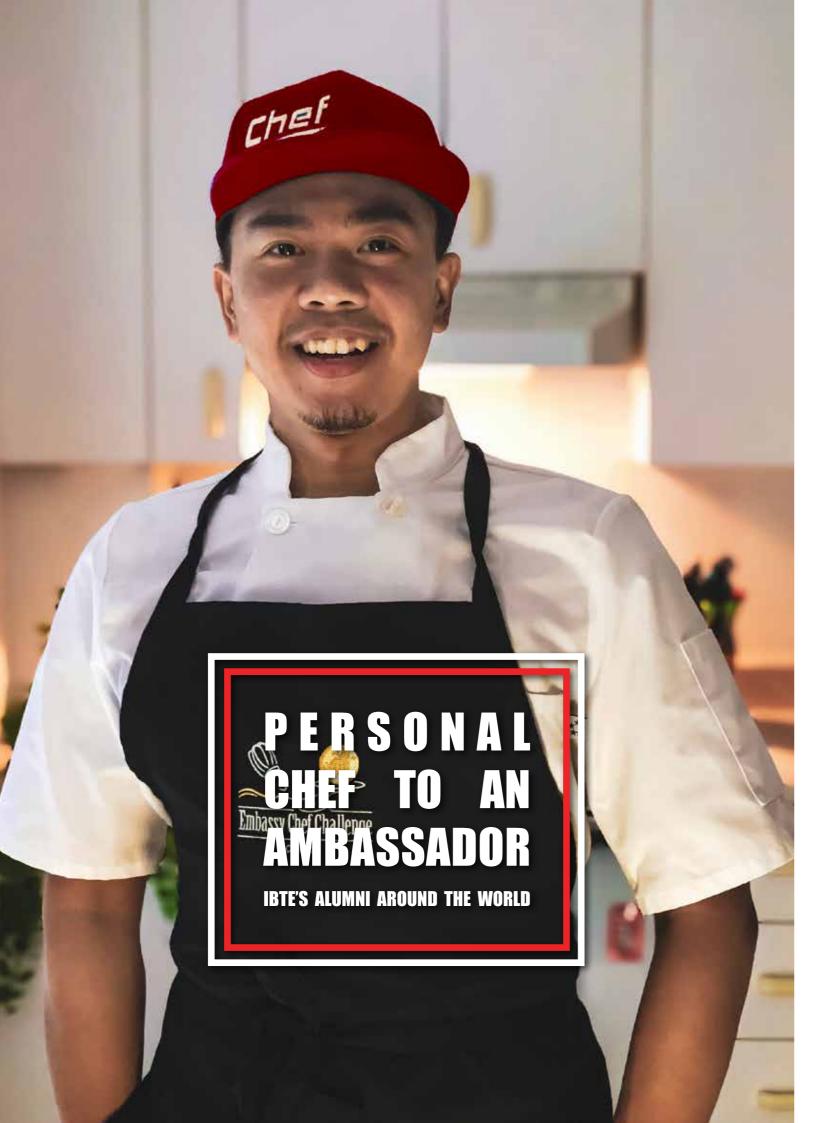
5th ASEAN Skills Competition, Vietnam (2004) *Masdiana Wahid, Diploma of Excellence*

6th ASEAN Skills Competition, Brunei (2006) *Dk Yani Mariana Pg Yahya, Gold Medal Sharimata Junyang, Silver Medal*

10th ASEAN Skills Competition, Vietnam (2014)
Dk Qamarina Hayati Pg Kemarudin, Bronze Medal
Nur Amirah binti Haji Mohaimin, Diploma of Excellence

12th ASEAN Skills Competition, Thailand (2018) *Mohammad Ifwat Dini Al-Hakeem Abdullah, Best of Nation Medallion of Excellence*







WHEN YOU START TO WORK in an environment that is not one that you are familiar with, your adaptability and communication skills are bound to improve as you would have the chance to work and interact with different people from different walks of life. Working abroad, in a different country in an environment that is totally new is definitely never easy. There are many factors to be considered when deciding to uproot oneself and move to another country. Nevertheless, there is always someone who is willing to accept the challenge and push beyond their limits to try something new and going out of their comfort zone.

Hazman bin Hj Md Shah, 28, is an IBTE alumni from IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus who took National Diploma in Hotel Catering Management course back in 2013. Upon encouragement by his instructor, Cikgu Hajah Rohana binti Haji Hamdan, he took the leap and went outside his comfort zone, literally, and packed his bags to try his luck and work outside of Brunei. Hazman, answered the call for a vacant position that required a fresh graduate with sound culinary background and knowledgeable in local cuisine as a personal chef based in Canada.

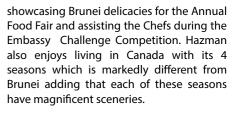
At first, Hazman hesitated as he was afraid that he won't be able to adapt to the idea of living in a different country but with supportive family members and friends, he was finally won over.

"They encouraged me to accept, to take the opportunity to experience and learn new things, accepting the new environment and people"



It was not an easy decision to make, but he finally set foot in Canada on January 2015. He was ready to begin work as the Personal Chef/Cook for His Excellency Pengiran Haji Kamal Bashah bin Pengiran Ahmad, the Brunei Ambassador for Canada back then.

Hazman's daily duties include preparing meals for His Excellency as well as catering for events conducted by the Brunei Embassy in Canada such as National Day Celebrations, Hari Raya Aidilfitri Open house, International Food Fair and many more.



Talking about his long term plans, Hazman thought about opening up a food business in Canada, serving Asian Cuisine, but he also entertains the idea of starting a home family food business in Brunei Darussalam.





Hazman admitted that travelling and living abroad for the first time was not without its own challenges especially this being his first job but, Alhamdulilah, he persevere. Using his experience and knowledge attained from his studies as a student in the School of Hospitality and Tourism, Hazman overcame his initial fear of not being able to deliver and at over time his quality of work improved. Now with experience, he can successfully and efficiently manage and work well with the team in Ottawa.

Among the experiences that Hazman enjoyed in his line of work is preparing local dishes for Brunei Embassy events and he shared that one of his proudest moment was "Learn, try, experience and take on something new every day. Always be hungry for more, move out of your comfort zone.

Never give up on anything that you started, always pray and Tawakkal, In Shaa Allah your rizq will come. Opportunity is everywhere, the only thing that matter is what you want to do with it? Dear IBTE-ans goodluck on your future endeavours!"

- Hazman bin Hj Md Shah, IBTE Alumni







HANA ABADIAH BINTI HJ AWANG of School of Agro-Techology and Applied Science was selected to be one of the Young South East Asian Leaders Initiative, YSEALI Academic Fellowships Program Fall session 2019. Hana was based at University of Montana in the United States for 8 weeks with other youth leaders from Southeast Asia for projects that will impact their communities. Hana's focus for the program was on Environmental Issues and National Resources Management. Hana will be graduating this 27th convocation.

"During my academic fellowship in the United States with Young Southeast Asian Leadership Initiative, I teamed with colleagues who had a similar interest in sustainable agriculture. Together, we designed an educational programme that aims to raise awareness of the harms of overusing chemical supplements can cause in agriculture, while facilitating our participants with greener solutions through experiential based learning. Now that we have completed our fellowship, we plan on expanding the idea and applying for the YSEALI Seeds for the Future grant in the near future. I also hope to further my studies in agriculture and to continue my direct impact work with environmentalism in Brunei."

~ Hana Awang, IBTE Alumni



THE TARINDAK UNGKAYAH GRADUAN restaurant opened its door to the public on the 6th of January 2019. The Tarindak Ungkayah Graduan Restaurant was established as a way of upholding the aspirations of His Majesty Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam to see graduates prove their abilities in exploring the working world. The restaurant, situated at the Departure Hall of the Brunei International Airport, is staffed by 16 graduates out of which 3 are from IBTE.

These IBTE graduates are Nur Azirah binti Asba and Siti Rahmah binti Mohamad Ali Hussin who graduated with NTec in Culinary Operations, and Mohammad Ardzierrul bin Osman who graduate with an HNTec in Hospitality Operations. Soon after graduating in 2018, these graduates were lucky enough to be chosen to work in the new restaurant. With little experience in the restaurant business, they have to undergo months of intensive training in Food and Beverage Management and would be a part of the team which runs the restaurant basically from the kitchen, cooking and also waiting tables.



In a interview with IBTE IGNITE, one of the graduates, Ardzierrul said that it is an honor to be working for one of the established restaurant chains in Brunei Darussalam. He went on to share that it is an entirely new experience for him and expressed his desire to work in the restaurant for the long term as there is much more to be learned.





"When there is a job opportunity, grab it! And gain experience out of it. It is not easy to get the job we always dream of, so go out of your comfort zone, gain valuable knowledge and skills."

~ Ardzierrul, IBTE Alumni



After months of intensive training, another IBTE graduate, Siti Rahmah binti Mohamad Ali Hussin shared that she had gained so much experience, and the one skill that she was excited to learn was how to make the perfect "Roti Canai". According to Siti Rahmah, there are a lot of process and details when making roti canai, from making the dough from scratch to stretching the dough and to cook it to perfection. If the process and details are not precise, then the roti canai would not turned out as expected. Here she

learned that, process, steps, skills and details are very important when running an Food & Beverage establishment.

"Your journey starts at your School, and once you join the industry, you will face a lot of challenges and learn a lot more. So be mentally and physically ready!"

~ Siti Rahmah, IBTE Alumni

Azirah binti Asba had mixed feeling when joining Tarindak Ungkayah Graduan Restaurant, she was both nervous and excited at the same time. Not only was it her first time working in a restaurant but imagine working in a newly opened one! Used to working in the kitchen, this time Azirah was given the responsibility to serve the guests and work in the front of the house. Though it was challenging at first, through her hardwork and tenacity, she managed to overcome her fear and persevered.

Each of these graduates have their own dreams and pathways they want to pursue, from being entrepreneurs to setting up their own business. But when asked if they would want to be with Tarindak Ungkayah Graduan in the future. They all said that they are happy to still be with the restaurant.



"Work with passion, eventually you will work with a sincere heart and enjoy the work."

~ Nur Azirah, IBTE Alumni

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DAN KAMPUS-KAMPUS DIBAWAHNYA TELAH MENYUMBANGKAN DERMA berbentuk barangan makanan asasi melalui Projek Fastabiqul Khairat yang diungkayahkan oleh Jabatan Pendidikan Kokurikulum, melalui Unit Beruniform dan Khidmat Masyarakat Kementerian Pendidikan. Sumbangan derma yang telah dikumpul itu akan diberikan kepada fakir miskin, pelajar yang memerlukan bantuan dan anak-anak yatim di bawah Kementerian Pendidikan untuk persediaan bulan Ramadan dan Hari Rava Aidilfitri Tahun 1440H.



TWO FINAL YEAR STUDENTS from HNTec in Travel and Tourism of School of Hospitality and Tourism, Mohammad Nur Hazmi bin Shaiful Bahri and Raihanah binti Haji Ahmad, were selected to participate in the ASEAN Plus Three Tourism Youth Summit 2019 held in Chiang Mai, Thailand last August 2019. The summit was engaging and interactive with lectures, group activities, cultural & sight seeing technical visit, discussions and activities, sharing culture, experiences and officially representing Brunei.



33 STUDENTS AND INSTRUCTORS OF SCHOOL OF AVIATION, went to visit Selangor Banting Polytechnic (PBS) and Langkawi International Maritime and Aerospace Exhibiton, Malaysia in March 2019. They toured the diploma programme in Aircraft Maintenance and Mechanical Engineering of PBS. At Langkawi, the students and instructors got to experience the Biennial event of the largest maritime and aerospace exbition in Asia Pacific from over 30 countries and saw display of Ships, Aerial, Aircraft Static Display as well Maritime Demonstration.



JOM BERSEDEKAH! was the brainchild of five students from the School of Hospitality and Tourism taking HNTec in Travel and Tourism. The charity project aimed to lessen the burden of the less fortunate and at the same time creating awareness and instilling the virtue of charity within the students of the School of Hospitality and Tourism and the IBTE Sultan Saiful Rijal Campus. The team successfully collected donation items which then distributed to over 100 families around Brunei Darussalam. The team would like to extend a huge THANK YOU to everyone who donated and made this effort a monumental success!



IBTE ESTATE & CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT DIVISION, as well as IBTE Operation Managers and IBTE Campus HSE Officers from all IBTE Campuses conducted an educational visit to the Temburong Bridge Project in Serasa last May 2019. The visit gave exposure to IBTE Campus HSE Officers on ways to manage HSE from an industry's perspective. It was emphasized that monitoring is a very important stage in HSE carried out through daily checks, inspections and audits to ensure compliance.



SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING, INSTITUTE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION COLLEGE (ITE) CENTRAL, SINGAPORE did an educational visit to IBTE satellite campuses mid September 2019 to strengthen the established ties between both parties while exchanging knowledge and views among teaching staffs and students. Lead by the lecturer from ITE Singapore, Roslan bin Hashim, the visit started with IBTE Sultan Bolkiah campus, Seria then moving on to IBTE Agro Technology campus. The visit also covered interesting attractions of Belait and Brunei-Muara district.



IBTE ORGANISED MULTIPLE BLOOD DONATION DRIVE/ CAMPAIGNS at both its Central and Satellite Campuses in collaboration with the Blood Donation Centre of the Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Saleha (RIPAS) Hospital. It was aimed to boost the country's blood bank supply and raise awareness amongst the staffs and students of IBTE and the public on the importance of donating blood as a vital way to help save lives. This campaign will continue as part of an initiative to help hospitals replenish blood supplies for those who need them.



FIRST COHORT OF NTEC IN ASSISTANT NURSING (GENERAL) AND (DENTAL) alumni in their new uniforms. A total of 50 graduates, where 42 are working under the Ministry of Health, 1 is working secured positions in their respective organizations.

under Jerudong Park Medical Centre, and 7 are in-service from the Ministry of Defence. Congratulations to everyone as all have



GRADUATING STUDENTS from HNTec in Mechanical Engineering, NTec Welding and NTec Machining, School of Energy and Engineering Satellite, at IBTE Sultan Bolkiah Campus, Seria, have been employed by Brunei Fertilizer Industry Sdn Bhd (BFI) recently. They will undergo overseas training for 4 months starting from October 2019 and continue their training on-site at the BFI plant for 1 year.

BFI is Brunei's first industrial fertilizer plant, situated at the 55-hectare land at SPARK. The plant have a production capacity of 2,200 metric tons per day (mtpd) of ammonia which converts to 3,900 mtpd of granulated urea. Majority of the produced urea will be exported. Commercial production of the plant is expected to start in 2021.

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AS PART OF THE AGROBIZ PROJECT between LiveWIRE Brunei and IBTE Agro-Technology Campus, a Field Drone was introduced to help with the various processes to be practiced at the AgroBiz Paddy Field located within the school's compound. Purpose of the Field Drone is to help cut down significant amount of time of processes such as liming (a process that neutralizes soil to make it less acidic), fertilizing, and spraying pesticides: what normally would have taken 1 hour (liming) or 2 to 3 hours (for both fertilizing and spraying pesticides) can now be done in less than 15 minutes, which should help the project immensely.



SEVEN STUDENTS FROM SCHOOL OF AVIATION AND SCHOOL OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY went for a one-week Camp at National University Singapore, participated in the STEP Technology Camp, partnered with Temasek Foundation International (TF- Intl). They invited over 90 high school institution from all over ASEAN aim to seek collaborative platform towards a Smart Nation by exchanging best practices and urban solution in improving the lives of people using technology specifically on using electrical and computer engineering.



A Khatam Al-Quran event for IBTE students in conjunction with IBTE 27th Convocation was held 10th October 2019 at Suri Seri Begawan Raja Pengiran Anak Damit Mosque, Madang. The auspicious event was attended by 528 graduating students.



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