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Giving the thumbs-up at the launch of the Open University Malaysia Master of Quality Management programme are (from left) Sirim Bhd president and chief executive **Datuk Dr Zainal Abidin Mohd Yusof**, Deputy Science, Technology and Innovation Minister **Datuk Dr Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah** and OUM president and vice-chancellor **Professor Tan Sri Anuwar Ali**.

Master quality management standards at OUM

THE Master of Quality Management programme at Open University Malaysia (OUM) was recently launched by Deputy Science, Technology and Innovation Minister **Datuk Dr Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah**.

Present at the launch was Sirim Bhd president and chief executive **Datuk Dr Zainal Abidin Mohd Yusof**.

The two-year coursework programme focuses on capacity building in quality management.

In this context, capacity building involves the development of the country's human capital, scientific, technological, organisational and resource capabilities.

The programme is a great choice for individuals interested in advancing their careers, or starting on the path to become a quality assurance manager, service quality manager or quality engineer.

It is conducted by quality experts from Sirim Training Services Sdn Bhd and OUM academics.

OUM offers 12 courses for the programme, under which learners will gain knowledge on Total Quality Management principles.

Learners will get in-depth know-how on planning, developing and implementing quality systems and standards within their organisations, based on the principles learned in the programme.

Abu Bakar said the collaboration between OUM and Sirim would produce graduates of global standard and ensure that Malaysia became a developed nation by 2020.

OUM president and vice-chancellor **Professor Tan Sri Anuwar Ali** said the programme was meant to prepare competent quality engineers and quality managers for the job market.

It is also ideal for industry personnel who have

careers as occupational health and safety experts, system and process analysts, internal and external auditors, management consultants and compliance officers.

The programme provides learners with a thorough grounding in quality management, with a strong focus on Total Quality Management (TQM).

The curriculum also covers quality standards and systems, quality improvement tools and methods, risk management, performance management, Lean Six Sigma, statistical quality control, productivity measurement, supplier quality management and customer service management.

Interested learners can enrol through normal or flexible entry modes.

While those with a bachelor's degree can enrol through the normal pathway, those without a first degree can apply via the Flexible Entry channel.

This is provided they have relevant knowledge or prior learning experience.

Learners entering through the Flexible Entry channel also need to pass a Flexible Entry Assessment set by the institution.

Through the course, learners will experience the blended learning approach, which comprises three hours of face-to-face seminars per course, translating into 15 hours of seminars per semester.

Learners will also be in charge of their own learning by undertaking presentations, case studies, projects and assignments.

Graduates of the programme will receive credentials as Certified Quality Engineers and Certified Quality Managers upon passing an assessment by Sirim.

To enquire about the programme, call 03-2773-2121, visit www.oum.edu.my or write to enquiries@oum.edu.my.



Datuk Dr Abu Bakar Mohamad Diah (second from right) **meeting learners** under the programme.

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Amaran Ribut Petir Di Perairan Perak, Selangor Dan Selat Melaka

KUALA LUMPUR, 17 Mei (Bernama) -- [Jabatan Meteorologi Malaysia](#) pada Ahad mengeluarkan amaran, ribut petir yang berlaku di perairan Perak, Selangor dan Selat Melaka dijangka berterusan hingga awal petang Ahad.

Jabatan itu dalam kenyataan hari ini berkata keadaan itu boleh menyebabkan angin kencang sehingga 50 kmsj dan laut bergelora dengan ombak mencapai ketinggian sehingga 3.5 meter dan berbahaya kepada bot-bot kecil.

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