

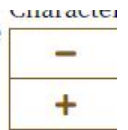
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"Malaysian Teacher Award" winner Anutra Coding Teaching Bridges the Digital Divide in Rural Schools



Anutra integrates technology into chemistry courses and is committed to shortening the gap between the market and education digital. She stood out in the first "Malaysian Teacher Award" and won the championship.

Anuthra Sirisena from Tengan, [Sabah](#), integrates technology into teaching to enhance the fun of students' learning and enable students to master digital knowledge. She made better use of her after-school time and led the "[Dannan Innovation Center](#)" team to teach in rural schools, striving to shorten the [digital divide](#).

Anutra's dedication is obvious to all, and she won the first "[Malaysia Teacher Prize](#)" champion award. She has devoted herself to education for 16 years, and believes that although Malaysia has declared that it has entered the era of Industrialization 4.0 (IR4.0), there is still a very large gap between market demand and school education.

Report: Chen Xingtong of this newspaper

Photo: Provided by the interviewee

Anutra, who teaches at Tannan Chinese National Chinese Secondary School in Sabah, has been involved in the field of education since 2006 as a chemistry teacher. No one could have imagined that a few years later, she would gain recognition for teaching students robotics and coding .

In 2017, Anutra attended a teaching course in robotics and coding purely in the spirit of "training students on behalf of the school". After returning to school, she used the after-school time to teach, but she was unaware of the fresh scientific and technological knowledge, which unexpectedly aroused the curiosity of the students. "Although they have no knowledge of coding, I see their (students) eyes twinkling." Students The fear of failure and continuous learning in new fields is something that Anutra has never seen since teaching.



Although faced with poor network cables and insufficient electronic equipment, Anutra and the team never retreated and tried their best to pass on scientific and technological knowledge to the students of Sabah Tenan.

Previously, Anutra went to the United States to attend a short-term course in 2013. She was shocked that the education in the United States and Asia were very different. "The United States is different from us, and the goal is not to ask students to rank first." After Anutra returned to my country , began to reflect on the way of education in our country. So, as students showed interest in coding and robotics she had never seen before, Anutra began to wonder: what would change if technology was incorporated into teaching?