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1. **Pharmacy**
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3. **Informatics**
4. **Psychology**
5. **Guidance and Counseling**
6. **Management**
7. **Elementary School Teacher Education**
8. **Mining Engineering**
9. **Medical Education (Medicine)**
10. **Indonesian Language Education**

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Reflections on and Expectations for Universitas Syiah Kuala's New Leadership

The momentum of leadership transition at Universitas Syiah Kuala represents an important part of the dynamics of a continuously evolving institution. The journey undertaken under the leadership of Prof. Dr. Ir. Marwan, IPU, has laid a strong foundation for the university's development, both in governance and academic achievements, and in strengthening its role at the national and international levels.

Now, the leadership mandate is continued by Prof. Mirza Tabrani, SE, M.B.A, D.B.A, as the Rector of Universitas Syiah Kuala for the 2026–2031 period. This transition brings hope for continuity while also opening space for new ideas and renewed energy to address the various challenges facing higher education in the future.

Universitas Syiah Kuala holds a strategic position as a center for the development of science, technology, and human resources. In this context, strengthening a conducive academic ecosystem is essential, including fostering collaborative, innovative research that delivers tangible benefits to society.

In addition, attention to the well-being of the academic community is integral to building an excellent institution. A healthy, productive academic environment will foster optimal performance and reinforce a culture of integrity.



Amid the ever-evolving global landscape, collaboration becomes key to expanding networks and enhancing competitiveness. Universities are required to build strategic partnerships, both nationally and internationally, in order to enrich perspectives and strengthen scholarly contributions.

At the same time, the university's role in community service must continue to be strengthened. The presence of USK is expected to consistently contribute to the solution of various societal challenges through approaches grounded in knowledge and humanitarian values.

With the spirit of humanocracy championed by Prof. Mirza Tabrani and the commitment of the entire academic community to achieving the university's vision, Universitas Syiah Kuala has strong foundations to continue moving forward. The current leadership is expected to sustain the progress made while also creating opportunities for innovation and strengthening the university's future role.



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On the Appointment of

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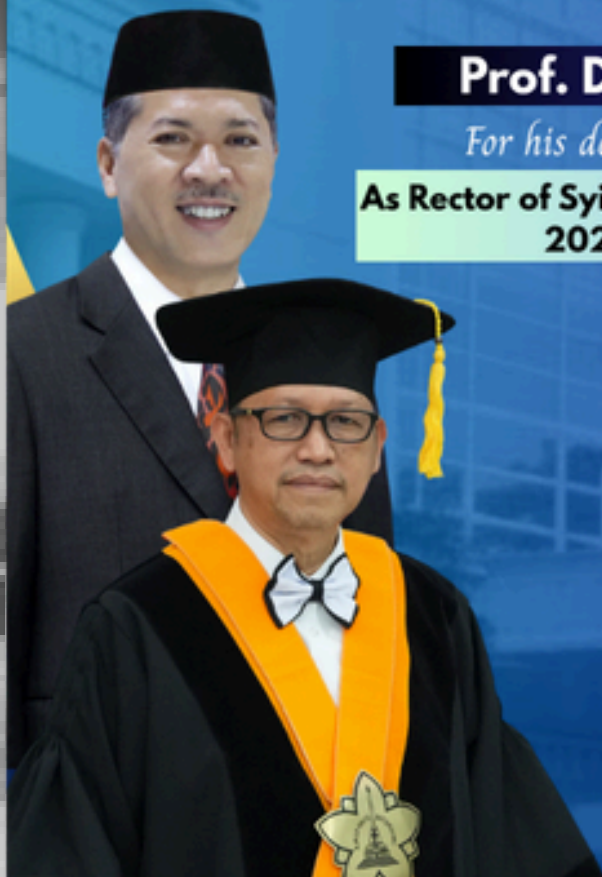
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For his dedication and service

**As Rector of Syiah Kuala University for the
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Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M.Tech.
Dean of FMIPA USK

Two FMIPA Students Participate in International Winter School Program in Qatar

Two students from Universitas Syiah Kuala (USK), Muhammad Faruqi and Achmad Atha Zayyan, took part in the Winter School 2026 program hosted by the University of Doha for Sciences and Technology (UDST), Qatar. The program was organized by the College of Computing and IT and brought together dozens of students, researchers, and professors from various countries.

The journey began on Wednesday, January 21, 2026, when the students departed from Sultan Iskandar Muda International Airport, Aceh, to Kuala Lumpur. From there, they continued their trip with a transit flight to Guangzhou before arriving at Hamad International Airport, Doha, on January 23, 2026. Upon arrival, participants were welcomed by the UDST organizing committee and escorted to their accommodation.

The Winter School officially commenced on January 25, 2026, at 06:30 a.m. local time, with an opening ceremony led by the Dean of the College of Computing and IT, Prof. Zakaria Maamar. In his opening remarks, he emphasized the importance of global collaboration in advancing technology, particularly in the field of artificial intelligence.



"This Winter School is designed as a platform for exchanging ideas, fostering collaboration, and encouraging innovation. We hope this program will not only broaden participants' academic perspectives but also build long-term international networks among students, researchers, and institutions," said Prof. Zakaria Maamar.

The opening session continued with an introduction to the program by Dr. Oussama Djedidi, who highlighted the significant growth in participation. While the previous edition hosted around 30 participants, the 2026 Winter School welcomed more than 60 participants, including undergraduate, master's, and PhD students, as well as several professors. He also noted that this year's curriculum was designed to be more in-depth, moving beyond the fundamental focus on AI and Machine Learning of the previous year to explore advanced topics, practical applications, and interdisciplinary research collaborations that support innovation, knowledge exchange, and future technological advancements globally.

On Monday, January 26, 2026, participants attended sessions by Dr. Walid Madej on "Generative Requirements Engineering and Design" and Dr. Tewfik Ziadi on "Engineering AI-Based Systems with Software Product Lines," which provided valuable insights into modern software engineering and AI development.

The program continued on Tuesday, January 27, 2026, with a seminar by Dr. Jacques Klein titled "How to Combine Large Datasets, Program Analysis, and AI to Analyze Android Apps." On the same day, UDST hosted Dr. Ahmed Al-Qatatsheh from IBM for an Industry Talk, during which he explained how Quantum Computing works, its advantages, and IBM's approach to commercializing quantum research. Participants also took part in a hands-on practical session involving Android application analysis, including downloading, decompiling, code inspection, and secret detection. The day concluded with a Gala Dinner at Souq Waqif, one of Doha's cultural and heritage districts.

On Wednesday, January 28, 2026, the learning sessions opened with Dr. Moshiur Farazi presenting "Do AI Models Really See? What Vision-Language Models Learn from Text." This was followed by Dr. Islem Rekik with "Graph Intelligence: From Learning to Cognition," which discussed understanding brain activity through relationships and adjacency across brain domains. The day concluded with a lecture and practical session by Pablo Martinez Ruiz del Arbol entitled "Application of AI Algorithms to Tomographic Imaging." In this session, participants learned about muon tomography, an innovative imaging technique that uses naturally occurring subatomic particles—muons from cosmic rays—to scan the internal structure of large objects or containers without opening them.

Amid Limitations, Faith Burns Bright: Ramadan in Disaster Affected Areas

Ramadan in Aceh Tamiang this year comes with a different atmosphere. The flood that had submerged residents' settlements left a long trail: damaged houses, belongings washed away, and activities that have not fully recovered. Yet in the midst of these conditions, the fasting worship continues to be carried out with \bar{e} determination.

In evacuation posts and houses that are still half-dry, Ramadan reveals another face of human strength: sharing with one another, enduring, and remaining surrendered.

In the early hours at flood-affected locations, the atmosphere feels quiet, but slowly comes to life. Residents wake up for sahur with limited supplies. Not all kitchens can be used, so some choose to cook together at safer points, or rely on food aid.

The sahur menu is simple: white rice, instant noodles, eggs, or dried fish. Hot water becomes a valuable commodity, while warm coffee and tea become faithful companions against the cold. Behind this simplicity, there is a strong sense of togetherness. Residents call out to each other for sahur, making sure no one is left behind. Children sit close to their parents, enjoying the meal without many complaints.

"Even with what little we have, the important thing is we can have sahur and stay strong for fasting," said one resident with a smile.

Residents work together to prepare iftar. There is the traditional Acehnese kanji porridge, dates, mineral water, and simple snacks.

Residents sit in groups on mats. There are no barriers; everyone blends into togetherness. When the maghrib call to prayer echoes, the atmosphere becomes briefly silent prayers are offered solemnly.

Water and dates become the opening, followed by simple meals distributed evenly. In conditions like these, gratitude feels deeper. Every bite not only fills the stomach but also strengthens.

Although some mosques were affected by the flood, tarawih prayers continue to be performed. Residents make use of mosques that are still feasible, temporary prayer rooms, or even large tents as places of worship. Modest lighting illuminates the rows of worshippers. The recitation of the Holy Qur'an echoes among the remaining puddles and mud that have not completely disappeared.

The imam leads with a calm voice, while the congregation follows with deep devotion. In every rakaat, there are long prayers: asking for safety, blessings, and a better life after the disaster.



After tarawih, some residents do not go straight to rest. They continue with Qur'an recitation in turns. In the corners of mosques or tents, small groups are formed.

The sound of Qur'an recitation flows softly, bringing calm amid conditions that have not fully recovered. For many residents, tadarus becomes a space for inner healing—a place to calm the mind and strengthen faith.

Children and teenagers also take part, even if their recitation is still hesitant. They are guided by adults, creating a warm learning atmosphere.

Disaster may take away many things, but it cannot erase the spirit of worship among the people of Aceh Tamiang. In fact, within limitations, the values of Ramadan feel even more alive.

From simple sahur, grateful iftar, congregational tarawih in emergency places, to soothing tadarus—all become proof that faith continues to shine.

Ramadan in Aceh Tamiang is not only about refraining from hunger and thirst. It is about enduring, strengthening one another, and believing that after hardship, there will be ease.

Amid the slowly receding floodwaters, hope also begins to grow slowly, but surely.

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112 USK Students Deployed to Support Post Disaster Recovery in Bireuen

A total of 112 students from Universitas Syiah Kuala (USK) have been officially deployed to participate in the Impact-Oriented Community Service Program (KKN Berdampak) in disaster-affected areas of Bireuen Regency, Aceh. The program aims to enable students to contribute directly to post-disaster recovery efforts and strengthen community resilience through collaborative initiatives, community empowerment programs, and sustainable local development activities.

The Dean of the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA) USK, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M. Tech., stated that the participating students come not only from FMIPA, but also from the Faculty of Economics and the Faculty of Law. The program is supported by six field supervisors who will provide guidance and oversight throughout the implementation period.

"Today, we officially deployed 112 students accompanied by six field supervisors, with three supervisors assigned to each village. The students will be directly involved in various social initiatives and community empowerment activities in disaster-affected areas, particularly ahead of the holy month of Ramadan," said Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M. Tech., on Sunday (February 1, 2026).

The students will carry out their community service for a period of 20 days in two villages, namely Im Budee and Pulo Reudeup. Planned programs include the provision of clean water facilities, environmental sanitation activities, and community empowerment initiatives in areas affected by flooding and landslides.

Prof. Taufik emphasized the importance of physical and mental preparedness, as the students will be stationed in disaster-affected locations where conditions have not yet fully recovered. He also urged students to prioritize their health and safety throughout the duration of the program while maintaining discipline, teamwork, responsibility, and strong commitment to community service.

Furthermore, he expressed his hope that the students would serve as agents of change and deliver tangible benefits to the affected communities. He noted that the experience would be a valuable learning opportunity to foster empathy, social awareness, and effective community engagement skills.

"Even if the contribution may seem modest, we believe the presence of students can help ease the burden faced by disaster-affected communities. This is the true meaning of impactful students," he concluded.





The Dean and the Academic Community of the Faculty of
Mathematics and Natural Sciences
Syiah Kuala University
extend their greetings.

Happy Eid Al-Fitr 1 Shawwal 1447 AH

"We humbly seek your forgiveness for all our mistakes, inward and outward"



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FMIPA USK Strengthens Commitment to Integrity Zone Toward WBK

The Integrity Zone development activity was attended by faculty leaders, lecturers, administrative staff, and other supporting elements within FMIPA USK. This activity became an important momentum to unify the commitment of the entire academic community in supporting bureaucratic reform and improving the quality of public services within the faculty to achieve transparent, accountable, professional, and corruption-free governance practices while strengthening institutional integrity and sustainable administrative performance across units.

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An Integrity Zone is a designation granted to a work unit whose leadership and staff demonstrate a strong commitment to realizing a corruption-free area as well as a clean and service-oriented bureaucracy. Therefore, this activity emphasized the importance of changes in mindset and work culture (culture set) oriented toward integrity, professionalism, transparency, and accountability.

In his remarks, the Dean of FMIPA USK, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M.Tech., emphasized that the development of an Integrity Zone is not merely the fulfillment of administrative requirements, but rather a continuous effort to build a work culture grounded in the values of honesty and responsibility.

"The development of the Integrity Zone must be understood as a moral and collective commitment of the entire FMIPA USK academic community. Integrity should not only be reflected in documents, but must be evident in behavior, decision-making processes, and the services provided to students and the public," said Prof. Taufik.

Furthermore, Prof. Taufik added that the success of the Integrity Zone development is highly dependent on the active involvement of all elements within the faculty, including leaders, lecturers, and administrative staff.



"Each individual has a strategic role as an agent of change. Through cooperation and shared commitment, we can create a professional, transparent, and accountable work environment, thereby maintaining public trust in FMIPA USK," he added.

In addition to conveying leadership commitment, the activity also served as a platform for socializing anti-corruption values and strengthening understanding of clean, service-oriented public service principles. All participants expressed their support for the implementation of the Integrity Zone by upholding integrity values in every academic and administrative activity.

Going forward, FMIPA USK is committed to continuously evaluating and strengthening the implementation of the Integrity Zone in a sustainable manner, so that the goal of achieving a Corruption-Free Area (WBK) can be realized and its benefits felt by the entire academic community and the wider public.

APTFI, IAI, and USK Deploy Pharmacy Professional Students to Aceh Tamiang Flood Disaster Area

The Indonesian Association of Higher Education in Pharmacy (APTFI), in collaboration with the Indonesian Pharmacists Association (IAI) through its Disaster Response Pharmacists (Apoteker Tanggap Bencana/ATB) program, officially deployed students from the Pharmacist Professional Education Program (PSPPA) to the flood-affected area of Aceh Tamiang on Monday (February 2, 2026).

The deployment marks the initial phase of a gradual, multi-batch student assignment to the disaster site. A total of **60 students** have been prepared to actively participate in this humanitarian mission. **Universitas Syiah Kuala (USK)** became the first pharmacy higher education institution to send students in **Batch I** under this national program.

This initiative reflects strong synergy between APTFI, IAI, and pharmacy higher education institutions in supporting emergency disaster response efforts, particularly in the fields of pharmaceutical services and community health care.



The send-off ceremony was held solemnly and led directly by the Dean of the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA) of USK, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M.Tech. The event was also attended by the Chair of Disaster Response Pharmacists (ATB), Executive Board of IAI, apt. Ganjar Raynatan, S.Si., as well as the Chair of the Aceh Regional Board of IAI, who also serves as Head of the Department of Pharmacy, FMIPA USK, apt. Tedy Kurniawan Bakri, M.Farm., along with faculty leaders, lecturers, and representatives of the Aceh Regional IAI.

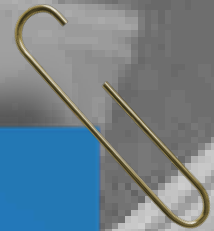


In his remarks, Prof. Taufik Fuadi Abidin emphasized that the involvement of pharmacist professional students in disaster areas is not only an experiential learning opportunity, but also a tangible form of community service aligned with humanitarian values and the Tridharma of Higher Education. He urged students to uphold integrity, professionalism, and pharmaceutical ethics throughout their field assignments.

Meanwhile, ATB IAI Executive Board Chair apt. Ganjar Raynatan stated that student participation in disaster response missions plays a crucial role in strengthening the capacity of future pharmacists from an early stage. He highlighted that collaboration between professional organizations and educational institutions is essential to building an integrated and sustainable disaster response system.

APTFI and IAI reaffirmed their commitment to continuously coordinating pharmacy higher education institutions across Indonesia to actively contribute to this humanitarian mission. Through this initiative, the role of pharmacists and future pharmacists is expected to become increasingly visible and impactful, particularly in emergency disaster situations.





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FMIPA Dean Monitors the 2026 “Impactful Students” Program in Bireuen

FMIPA USK Dean, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, conducted a monitoring and evaluation visit to students participating in the 2026 Mahasiswa Berdampak Program in Im Budee and Pulo Reudeup Villages, Bireuen Regency, reflecting the faculty’s commitment to impactful community service.

The 2026 Mahasiswa Berdampak Program, funded by Kemdiktisaintek, is implemented across disaster-affected regions in Aceh, North Sumatra, and West Sumatra to strengthen the role of students in supporting social, economic, and environmental recovery.

During the monitoring visit, the Dean was accompanied by the Vice Dean for Student Affairs, Alumni, and Partnerships, who also serves as the Field Supervisor (DPL) for the program, Dr. Ir. Wira Dharma, S.Si., M.Si., M.P., IPM. The delegation also included Prof. Dr. Lenni Fitri, S.Si., M.P., Dr. Alia Rizki, S.Si., M.Sc., Dr. Ahmad Nizam, S.E., M.M., M. Ridha Siregar, S.E., M.M., and supporting expert Dr. Ir. Essy Harnelly, S.Si., M.Si and Yekki Yasmin, S.Si., M.Si. Their presence demonstrated strong institutional and interdisciplinary support for the program’s implementation while strengthening collaboration and program effectiveness in communities.



The monitoring activities were complemented by meetings with the Head of Pulo Reudeup Village, Mr. Salman, and the Head of Im Budee Village, Mr. Iskandar. Discussions focused on program achievements, community participation -

challenges encountered in the field, and sustainability strategies to ensure that the initiatives continue after the students complete their community service period. Village authorities expressed appreciation for the students’ contributions, noting that the programs addressed real and urgent community needs.

In Im Budee Village, students conducted training on producing traditional cakes along with basic business, packaging, and marketing skills to support women’s home-based businesses. The participants came from FMIPA, the Faculty of Economics and Business (FEB), and the Faculty of Law (FH), enabling a multidisciplinary community program.

On this occasion, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin emphasized that the 2026 Mahasiswa Berdampak Program represents a concrete implementation of the university’s tridharma, particularly community service. He highlighted that students must not only learn from the community but also provide science- and technology-based solutions that are practical and sustainable.

“Students should serve as catalysts for positive change by delivering meaningful contributions that directly improve the quality of life within the community,” he stated.



FMIPA-USK Shines on the Global Stage, Students Win Two Prestigious Awards in Malaysia

Students of the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA), Universitas Syiah Kuala (USK), have once again achieved an outstanding international accomplishment at the International Student Competition, held in collaboration with the Centre of Entrepreneurial Development and Graduate Marketability (CEM), Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM). The competition was part of the 2nd International Student Summit, which took place in Malaysia on February 14–15, 2026, bringing together students from various countries to present innovative ideas and research-based solutions to global challenges.

At this prestigious international forum, the USK delegation successfully secured a Bronze Medal and the Best Poster Award, further demonstrating the academic excellence and global competitiveness of FMIPA-USK students.

The Bronze Medal was awarded to a multidisciplinary team consisting of Maya SIRRURIFKA (Pharmacy) as Team Leader, Zulharatun NAFIS (Pharmacy), Sheryl TALITHA UMA (Pharmacy), Rafqa DHEVRIANSARI (Informatics), and Ariel KHAIRAWAN (Informatics). The team presented an essay entitled "MERS AS A QUIET GUARDIAN: A Deep Analysis of a Digital System that Leads Individuals from Crisis to Clarity."



Their work offers an in-depth analysis of an innovative digital system designed to guide individuals through crisis situations in a structured, data-driven manner toward clarity in decision-making. By integrating pharmaceutical sciences particularly in health and individual well-being with informatics expertise in digital system development, the team delivered a comprehensive and forward-looking solution relevant to the challenges of the digital era.



Meanwhile, the Best Poster Award was earned by another outstanding team consisting of Ahlul Mursyidi (Biology), Hijrah Satria (Chemical Engineering), M. Raziqin Akeza (Law), and Mohd. Farrel Alharits (Nursing Science). The team was recognized for presenting a visually compelling, systematic, and highly communicative poster that effectively conveyed their research ideas to the international jury panel and participants. The award highlights not only the strength of their scientific content but also their excellence in academic communication and presentation while demonstrating strong interdisciplinary collaboration, creativity, critical thinking, and the ability to engage diverse audiences effectively.

This achievement was made possible through strong institutional support from Universitas Syiah Kuala, particularly funding assistance provided by the Directorate of Student Affairs and Entrepreneurship, under the coordination of the Vice Rector III of USK, Prof. Dr. Mustanir, M.Sc. The university's financial and institutional backing reflects its strong commitment to encouraging students to actively participate and excel in international competitions while fostering global competitiveness, innovation, leadership skills, and broader international academic collaboration opportunities for students.

The Dean of FMIPA, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M.Tech., expressed his pride and appreciation for the students' accomplishments. He emphasized that this achievement marks an important milestone for FMIPA's international performance in 2026, following FMIPA's success in obtaining the highest achievement score at the university level in 2025.

"This is an important first step in FMIPA's international achievements in 2026. After securing the highest achievement score at the university level in 2025, we are optimistic that this positive trend will continue. This accomplishment demonstrates that FMIPA students possess strong quality, creativity, and global competitiveness. Cross-disciplinary collaboration remains the key foundation for producing relevant and impactful innovations," he stated.

Outstanding FMIPA students win National 2nd Place in the Quranic Interpretation (MSQ) competition

A remarkable achievement has once again been proudly recorded by Informatics students of Universitas Syiah Kuala, as a cross-disciplinary team secured Second Place in the Musabaqah Syarhil Qur'an (MSQ) category at the National RDK Competition hosted by Universitas Gadjah Mada.

The prestigious national event brought together outstanding university representatives from across Indonesia, each competing to demonstrate excellence in Qur'anic recitation, interpretation, and public delivery. Among the many strong contenders, the USK delegation stood out for its compelling presentation, powerful recitation, and seamless teamwork.

The team was composed of three talented students from different academic backgrounds:

- Hazirah Bulqis – English Education Study Program, serving as the pensyarah (principal presenter and interpreter of the Qur'anic message).
- Chairunnisa – Informatics Management Study Program, serving as sari tilawah (supporting reciter).
- Ulya Farrasa Zayyan – Nursing Science Study Program, serving as the tilawah (main Qur'anic reciter).

Each member played a vital and complementary role. In the MSQ format, the tilawah opens the performance with a melodious and precise recitation of selected Qur'anic verses. The sari tilawah reinforces the spiritual atmosphere and supports the thematic transition. The pensyarah then delivers a structured and insightful explanation, connecting the verses to contemporary societal issues while conveying moral and intellectual depth.

During their performance, the team presented a theme centered on the urgency of strengthening Qur'anic values among the younger generation in the digital era. They highlighted how technological advancement, while beneficial, also presents ethical and moral challenges that require strong spiritual foundations. Their message emphasized integrity, responsibility in digital communication, and the importance of aligning modern knowledge with divine guidance.

The judges were particularly impressed by the clarity of argumentation, emotional resonance, stage presence, and the natural flow between recitation and interpretation.



Chairunnisa expressed heartfelt gratitude following the announcement of the winners.

"Alhamdulillah, we are deeply thankful for this achievement. This competition was a valuable journey for us. We spent weeks preparing, refining our script, practicing voice control, and ensuring that our message was both relevant and impactful. This award belongs to our entire team, our mentors, and our faculty who continuously supported us."

Hazirah Bulqis also shared that the biggest challenge was synchronizing interpretation with emotional delivery. "We wanted the audience not only to understand the message intellectually but also to feel it. That required intensive rehearsals and mutual trust among us."

The Dean of FMIPA USK, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M.Tech., conveyed his pride and appreciation for the students' success.

"We are extremely proud of this accomplishment. It clearly demonstrates that our students excel not only in science and technology but also in religious scholarship and public communication. This achievement reflects the successful integration of academic competence and spiritual intelligence. Such balance is essential in shaping future leaders who are both knowledgeable and morally grounded," he stated.

Dr. Wira Dharma also expressed hope that this milestone would inspire other students to step forward and explore their potential. "Every student has unique strengths. When properly guided and supported, those strengths can flourish and bring honor to the university. We want this culture of achievement to continue growing within FMIPA."

Securing Second Place at a national-level competition hosted by one of Indonesia's leading universities stands as a testament to the team's perseverance, discipline, and unity. Their success illustrates how collaboration across different fields of study—education, informatics, and nursing—can produce a powerful and meaningful impact when united by a shared spiritual purpose.

University Ramadan Safari Strengthens Communication and Highlights Academic Development

The Ramadan Safari, which is routinely conducted by the university leadership, was once again held as an opportunity for strengthening ties as well as a forum for communication between the university leadership and the academic community. On this occasion, the Ramadan Safari was held jointly by the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Sciences (FMIPA) and the Faculty of Marine and Fisheries (FKP).

During the event, FMIPA presented various academic achievements that have been attained in recent years. Currently, FMIPA has 16 study programs, with notable accreditation achievements. A total of 11 study programs have obtained Excellent accreditation, 4 study programs are accredited Very Good, and 1 study program is still in its first accreditation stage.

The Dean of FMIPA, Prof. Dr. Taufik Fuadi Abidin, S.Si., M. Tech., stated that these achievements are the result of collective efforts by the entire academic community within FMIPA.

"Alhamdulillah, currently FMIPA has 16 study programs with the majority having obtained excellent accreditation. This is the result of the hard work of our lecturers, administrative staff, and students. Moving forward, we remain committed to improving academic quality and preparing ourselves for international accreditation," he said.

He also explained that there are plans to restructure study programs within the faculty. One of the strategic steps that will be taken is the closure of the Electronics Engineering Study Program, which will then be followed by the opening of a new undergraduate study program within the Department of Physics as part of academic development.



In addition, FMIPA is currently preparing for international accreditation and institutional accreditation (AL) which is scheduled to take place in May 2026. In this preparation process, several important issues have become the main focus, namely the return of lecturers' homebase alignment, the resolution of credit (SKS) issues in the feeder system, and the challenge faced by young lecturers in obtaining the functional academic rank of Assistant Expert (AA).

Furthermore, FMIPA is also preparing the establishment of a Master's Program (S2) in Pharmaceutical Sciences and an Undergraduate Program (SI) in Environmental Science as part of strengthening academic and scientific development.

Meanwhile, the Rector of the university, Prof. Dr. Ir. Marwan, in his remarks emphasized that the Ramadan Safari is not merely a gathering activity, but also a momentum to strengthen communication between the university leadership and the faculties.

"This Ramadan Safari serves as a space to discuss, share achievements, and also listen to the various challenges faced by the faculties. The university will certainly continue to support the strategic steps taken by each faculty in improving academic quality and institutional governance," he said.

On the same occasion, the Vice Rector for Resources and Finance, Prof. Dr. Ir. Marwan, M.Si., also delivered information regarding employee welfare, particularly concerning the Holiday Allowance (THR) and employee appointment decrees (SK).

"The university understands the expectations of employees regarding the disbursement of THR and the issuance of employee decrees. Currently, the administrative process is ongoing and we are working to ensure that these matters can be completed as soon as possible," he said.



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