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**MIRI:** Fajar International College (FIC) yesterday had its 12th convocation ceremony at Imperial Hotel, awarding another cohort of 160 students who have completed their studies in various disciplines.

A momentous day for the graduating students, one was conferred Bachelor of Applied Management; eight with Executive Bachelor in Occupational Safety, Health and Environment; one with Executive Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health; 15 with Diploma in Accountancy; 31 with Diploma in Business Studies; 31 with Diploma in Human Resource Management; 87 with Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health; and two with Certificate in Business Studies.

In his congratulatory address to the graduates, FIC chief executive officer Dr Peter Tham said: "As we are witnessing the success and the joy of our graduates, who after spending their two-and-a-half year with us finally walk out with their

piece of paper, I would say I am indeed proud of all of you and indeed I share your happiness in your success.

"I trust that your time spent at Fajar has definitely prepared you and fully equipped you to march into another bold step in your life."

He said as a premier institution of higher learning, Fajar International College will continue to grow and remain the preferred choice for students, who one day will become meaningful and active contributors to their own communities and the nation as a whole.

He added that since its inception in 1996, the college has produced thousands of graduates of high calibre and industry relevant in various fields. Many of its graduates, especially from the Diploma in Occupational Safety and Health (DipOSH), are now gainfully employed and earning handsome salaries while working with multinational oil



Diploma in Business Studies best student Liliane Gupang Poutter (second right), flanked by Tham (second left) and Chan in a photocall. At left is senior lecturer Dr Julian Jolly.

and gas companies.

Synonymous with Occupational Safety and Health, FIC is a leader in providing the DipOSH since 2006.

The programme has been well-received and gained approval and recognition from the Ministry of Higher Education,

the Malaysian Qualifications Agency, Department of Occupational Safety and Health (DOSH) Malaysia and IOSH (Institution of Occupational Safety & Health), a UK-based organisation that recognises OSH qualifications and safety practitioners worldwide.

Commenting on the Diploma in Accountancy graduates, Tham said many of them have been booked by various organisations which indeed is a solid proof of the quality of Fajar's diploma.

Many of Fajar's Diploma in Business Studies graduates have successfully gained entry into degree programmes, where they will complete their degree in a short span of time as credit transfer is allowed.

Tham added that with the launch of Fajar International College as a learning centre for Wawasan Open University, the college can now offer degree courses in Accounting, Human Resource Management, Business and also the Executive Masters in Business Administration right here in Miri.

Meanwhile, Professor Dr Lily Chan, chief executive and vice chancellor of Wawasan Open University, reminded the graduates not to forget their families who have been supporting them and the sacrifices they have made, which

have brought them to where they are now.

She said Wawasan Open University's mission is to transform and empower higher education in this country through open distance learning.

"The world is becoming borderless, and universities must change with the time, and already the internet has revolutionised publishing, music, shopping, journalism,

"Now is the world of higher education and the future of universities have to change thanks to communication technology.

"Traditional campus environment has been the dominant educational landscape for generations. However, today with the advent and evolution of the internet and information technology, online and distance learning can be another platform for education.

"We pride ourselves on enabling learning without barriers. Your world is your classroom," she said.

## VALUATOR

Company(Brand)	Mention	Tone	ROI
Department of Occupational Safety and Health (Department of	2	0	RM 0
Imperial Hotel (Imperial Hotel)	1	0	RM 0
NUS Management Staff (Dr Lily Chan (CEO, NUS Enterprise))	1	0	RM 0

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