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PROFESSOR Dr Ahmad Hata Rasit during the Inaugural Lecture.

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**KOTA SAMARAHAN :** The Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (FMHS) UNIMAS hosted the Inaugural Lecture by Professor Dr Ahmad Hata Rasit yesterday at Dewan Syarahan, Pusat Islam Abang Salahuddin (PITAS), UNIMAS.

Professor Dr Ahmad Hata, Professor of Orthopaedic at the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences (FMHS), is also a renowned expert in his field and recognised both locally and internationally.

During the Inaugural Lecture titled "Congenital limb deformity: replace, repair or remove", Dr Ahmad provided an overview of orthopaedic problems as well as limb reconstructive surgery, especially paediatric orthopaedics.

According to him, congenital

limb deformity occurs in approximately six per 10,000 live births, affecting prominently the upper limbs compared to lower limbs.

These defects are often with other birth defects involving the craniofacial, cardiac and genitourinary systems.

"It is due to multiple causes ranging from infectious, chemical, genetic, environmental causes or a combination of all these causes," he said.

Dr Ahmad added that the deformity was easily recognised and might need additional investigation such as radiography, ultrasound or genetic analysis.

The treatment depends on the severity of the deformity; it can be treated by replacing it with an artificial limb, surgical amputation, reconstruction of the limb or a combination of these.