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**SARATOK** : Assistant Minister of Land Development and Kalaka State Assemblyman, Datuk Haji Abdul Wahab bin Aziz recently officiated at a demonstration and handing over ceremony of an automated self-cleaning mobile ultrafiltration system here.

The project was a collaboration project between Universiti Malaya (UM) and Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS).

The ceremony was witnessed by Prof. Ir. Dr. Noor Azuan Abu Osman, Dean, Faculty of Engineering, University of Malaya and Assoc. Prof. Dr Al Khalid Othman from the Faculty of Engineering, Universiti Malaysia Sarawak.

It was held at Dewan Sri Pinang, Sekolah Kebangsaan Perpat, Kabong, Saratok.

The project is the first collaboration between Universiti Malaya and UNIMAS on water ultrafiltration system for a clean water supply in the rural areas of Sarawak.

The system was sponsored by Datuk Haji Abdul Wahab bin Aziz and he suggested that the system be installed at Kampung Perpat in Kabong.

Kampung Perpat is located

along the Krian River, about five hours' drive from Kuching City.

The village is only accessible by crossing Krian River from the newly built cement road off the main road of Sesang-Pusa Road.

The kampung constitutes four villages, namely, Kpg. Perpat Hilir, Kpg. Perpat Tengah, Kpg. Perpat, and Rh. Tanjung Perpat.

The first three are Malay kampung while the last one is an Iban longhouse.

According to Ketua Kampung erpat Tengah, the total population of Kampung Perpat is about 1,300 people.

The team members from Universiti Malaya are Prof. Ir. Dr. Mohd Azlan Hussain, Prof. Dr. Mohamed Kheireddine Aroua, Dr. Nur Awanis Binti Hashim, Dr. Fathiah Binti Mohd Zuki and Rustam Ramlan, from the Centre for Separation Science and Technology (CSST), Department of Chemical Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, University of Malaya.

Meanwhile, in the Universiti Malaysia Sarawak Team are Dr. Nazeri Abdul Rahman, Mohd Farid Atan, Noraziah Abdul Wahab, Mohammad Amirul Nizam Amit, and Airul Azhar Jitai.



WAHAB posing with the villagers of Kampung Perpat, Kabong.



WAHAB (right) tastes the water from the ultrafiltration system.