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Institute celebrates cultural day

Tawau: Institute of Science and Management (ISM) here held a cultural day in conjunction with the Hari Raya celebration recently to foster unity among the ISM's family under one roof with diverse cultures and ethnicity.

The event, organized by 1Malaysia Club, was aimed at gathering and showcasing the beauty of the diverse cultures in Malaysia.

It was kick-started by the loud and merry sounds of 'kompang' to welcome all staff and VIP guests at 9am.

Its club President, Callie Chin introduced the newly appointed club committee members and expressed her hope in collaborating and working well together as a team.

She also thanked all staff and students who were willing to step in the bandwagon and work to make the event a success.

The audience was entertained by duet singing performances of Ho Syn Yi and Shim Ka Yee, who sang the songs 'Nian Lun' and 'Tao Hua Nuo'.

It was followed by the Sumazau dance, a traditional dance of the Kadazan Dusun ethnic group as well as a singing performance by Airon Kua and Ding Tze Hao, who sang the song 'Anak Kampung', originally composed and performed by a local Sabahan singer, Jimmy Palikat.

An Indian dance was also performed by the students and was definitely the crowd's favourite.

Lastly, the closing performance was taken over by Azlinah Binti Abdul Rahil as well as lecturer, Ms Khatijah Juhardin.

They both sang a duet of 'Seloka Hari Raya' and 'Suasana Hari Raya' songs as a symbolic ending of the Hari Raya celebration.

The event ended around 11.30am and everyone enjoyed a simple luncheon provided by the caterer. The event was a success because it highlighted cultures without borders.

It also helped to nurture a deeper understanding and forged a mutual friendship among all. The 1Malaysia Club committee hopes that the success of this event will be a stepping stone for them to hold even bigger and better celebration in the future.



The 1 Malaysia Club committee and teachers during the cultural day.