

**Speech by  
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**MAJLIS KESYUKURAN SEMPENA 22 TAHUN UTP**

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Ahli Qariah Masjid An Nur,

Staff and Students of Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS (UTP),

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Assalamualaikum warahmatullahi wabarakatuh

Selamat Sejahtera and a very good evening.

Alhamdulillah, segala pujian hanyalah untuk Allah subhanahu wa taala kerana dengan rahmat dan izin-Nya, dapat kita bersama-sama berkumpul di Masjid An Nur Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS (UTP) sempena Sambutan Ulang Tahun universiti ini yang ke dua puluh dua tahun.

Bagi pihak UTP, saya ingin merakamkan setinggi-tinggi penghargaan kepada semua yang hadir kerana telah sudi meluangkan masa untuk berada bersama-sama kita pada malam ini.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

UTP was officially established on 10 January 1997, and from the very beginning, the vision for UTP has been to be a leader in technology education and a centre for creativity and innovation. UTP is where it is

today because of our founding leaders' vision, wisdom and aspiration which started the university off on the right footing. I don't think words are sufficient to show our gratitude and appreciation to our past leaders.

The university has marked many milestones over the last 22 years, including accolades and recognition for the standard of teaching, the quality of academic programmes and research achievements. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the staff of this university – the faculty members, management as well as the support team and of course, the students. Thank you all for your effort and hardwork in helping this university come this far.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

As we reflect on the achievements and milestones of the last 22 years, it is important that we prepare for the future and for the challenges that lie ahead. In striving towards global prominence, we must remain steadfast in the principles of integrity, professionalism, cohesiveness and loyalty as we nurture a culture of support, inspiration, contribution and sharing within our university.

At UTP, we not only seek to produce well-rounded graduates who are creative and innovative with the potential to become leaders of industry and the nation but who will also do good in their communities. We believe that no one person or institution can exist in isolation, and serving the community, especially those that are closest to us physically, is our civic duty and our responsibility as good citizens. It is my greatest hope that as we enter this Fourth Industrial Revolution, we become more cognisant of

the influence and positive impact that UTP wields and can wield on the broader society.

We should not fall victim to the so-called ivory tower syndrome because here in Seri Iskandar, we are a part of the community and as it is the case with PETRONAS, the people and community remain at the heart of UTP's agenda.

This year, I urge all of us to work on becoming a responsible member of the UTP community. As a staff and student of UTP, you play a major part in resonating the university's culture and values to the community through our very own value framework in the form of CAAIR, which stands for collegiality, accountability, adaptability, integrity and respect. We hope that your time in UTP will not only mould you into engineers or technologists, but to become leaders with strong personalities to bring the community and our nation towards global prominence, providing those closest to us with sound responses to face the challenges and realities of the economy, environment and society.

Akhir kata, terima kasih diucapkan kepada semua warga universiti kerana segala pencapaian UTP sehingga kini, tidak dapat dicapai tanpa kesetiaan, komitmen dan dedikasi anda. Sikap Own It yang tinggi dalam melaksanakan tugas serta sikap berlapang dada melalui Tell Me menjadi tunggak untuk UTP merealisasikan Shared Success untuk universiti yang kita cintai ini. Terima kasih juga kepada Qariah kita di atas segala sokongan dan kerjasama.

Sekian, Wabillahi Taufik Walhidayah

Wassalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh