

OPENING CEREMONY FOR KENINGAU METEOROLOGICAL STATION, SABAH

MALAYSIAN METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT (MMD)

24 APRIL 2010

24 April 2010 was a historical day for Keningau Meteorological Station. It was officially opened on that day by Yang Berhormat Datuk Seri Dr. Maximus Johnity Ongkili, Minister of Science, Technology and Innovation (MOSTI). The meaningful occasion was also graced with the presence of senior officers from MOSTI and MMD including Director General of MMD, Dr. Yap Kok Seng and MMD Sabah Branch Director. Keningau District Officer, En. Amat Mohd Yusof, local community leaders, Keningau District state and federal departments chiefs, MMD Staff and local residences were also present.

In his speech, Y.B. Minister expressed his appreciation and congratulated MMD for the successful opening of the Keningau Meteorological Station. He also emphasized the importance of meteorology to the advancement of the nation especially in the aspect of security and disaster preparedness. At the same time, the minister also requested that the role of the Keningau Meteorological Station be expanded to become the resource centre for the various agencies under MOSTI in Keningau District. The public will not only be able to obtain meteorological information, they would also be able to get to know the other services provided by MOSTI.

There was an exhibition of meteorological instruments and service provided by MMD as well as other agencies under MOSTI such as SIRIM and Jabatan Kimia Malaysia. Y.B. Minister had made time to visit the exhibition, inspecting the surrounding of the station and quarters as well as planting a commemorative tree. The ceremony ended with light refreshment for all guests who were present.

Photo Gallery



Y.B. Datuk Seri Dr. Maximus Johnity Ongkili (centre) in the opening ceremony. Also present were Under Secretary of S2S Division, Dr. Mohd Zahit Ali (second from left), Keningau District Officer, En. Amat Mohd Yusof (first from left), MMD Director General, Dr. Yap Kok Seng (second from right) and MMD Sabah Branch Director, En. Abd Malik Tussin (first from right)



Y.B. Minister delivered his opening speech.



MMD Director General delivered a token of appreciation to the Y.B. Minister



Y.B. Minister cutting the ribbon during the station's opening ceremony



Y.B. Minister planting the commemorative tree at the station compound



MMD Sabah choir group sang Negaraku, Sabah Tanah Airku and Malaysia Inovatif during the opening ceremony.