

# New UiTM campus for Applied Science

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**TAPAH:** A new campus for Universiti Teknologi Mara will be built here to house an Applied Science faculty specialising in research and agrobiotechnology.

It would be the second campus for UiTM after the one at Shah Alam, said Higher Education Minister Datuk Mustapa Mohamed after opening the Tapah Umno division meeting here yesterday.

The campus would be built on a 520ha land at Jalan Stesyen, which was previously alienated for the scrapped Commonwealth University project.

Mustapa said the Government has agreed to set aside RM30mil under the 10th Malaysia Plan for the new campus, adding that the campus would accommodate between 500 and 1,000 students upon

completion.

He said the UiTM branch campus at Seri Iskandar, about 40km from Ipoh, would undergo a RM28mil upgrade to increase the student enrolment from 7,000 to 8,000 under the Ninth Malaysia Plan.

"The expansion at Seri Iskandar is part of the RM3.3bil upgrading allocation for 19 UiTM branch campuses nationwide," Mustapa said.