

PERISA '26 Participants Urged To Protect Innovations Through Patents

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ALOR GAJAH- Participants of the National TVET Innovation Competition (PERISA 26) have been urged to register copyrights or patents for their inventions to protect intellectual property and strengthen the competitiveness of local innovations. Deputy Higher Education Minister Adam Adli Abd Halim said the step is crucial to ensure every idea and innovation receives proper protection and opens opportunities for commercialisation through industry collaboration.

Deputy Higher Education Minister Adam Adli Abdul Halim stressed the importance of maintaining strong awareness of patent protection to safeguard the value and competitiveness of innovations. Speaking after closing the national-level PERISA 26 competition, he encouraged innovators to patent their ideas as intellectual property while continuing to promote collaboration and commercialisation for the benefit of society. Themed "Agentic AI in Innovation," PERISA 26 aims to stimulate artificial intelligence-based innovations that address real-world challenges, including solutions with industry application potential. The three-day competition featured 118 innovation projects across five categories and served as a platform to strengthen innovation, creativity, and Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) transformation. The event also included the exchange of a Memorandum of Understanding between Masjid Tanah Community College and Prasarana Malaysia Berhad, as well as a Letter of Intent with ERL E-MAS, to enhance competency development, expertise sharing, industry networking, and collaboration opportunities for educators and students.

