'Scrolls are nothing if you're unemployed'



Honoured guests: Sultan Ibrahim with Tunku Ismail and Johor Mentri Besar Datuk Osman Sapian (left) leaving the UTHM convocation at Batu Pahat in Johor.

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BATU PAHAT: University graduates should not be choosy when looking for jobs, says Johor Ruler Sultan Ibrahim Ibni Almarhum Sultan Iskandar.

Sultan Ibrahim advised the students that they should not be overly proud of their scrolls if they choose to remain unemployed.

"Your degree is meaningless if you fail to get employed," he said in

his royal address at the 18th convocation ceremony at Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia (UTHM) here.

Sultan Ibrahim, who is also UTHM Chancellor, said there was no shortcut to success.

He said graduates should continue to improve themselves by seeking knowledge, upgrading their skills and experience to become successful.

Sultan Ibrahim said the graduates should not forget the sacrifices

made by their parents in terms of time and financial support.

"It is only appropriate for you to share these joyous moments with your parents," he said.

Sultan Ibrahim said they should pay back their parents by taking care of them with love and respect, thus they should not continue to burden them by not working.

"Those starting to work should have the commitment to become a good employee, responsible, diligent and honest," he said. Earlier, Sultan Ibrahim presented scrolls to 482 graduates during the morning session.

UTHM Pro-Chancellor Tunku Mahkota Johor Tunku Ismail Ibni Sultan Ibrahim presented the scrolls during the afternoon session.

Some 4,048 graduates will receive their scrolls during the three-day convocation ceremony.

They include 102 PhD, Bachelor (318), Bachelor of Science (2,949) and Diploma (679) recipients.