

Faculty of Biology UGM and Taman Pintar to Cooperate in Museum Development

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Faculty of Biology UGM has assessed possibilities for cooperation with Taman Pintar Yogyakarta (Yogyakarta Smart Park educational institution) to develop the Faculty's museum into a more educational area for source of knowledge for the people.

Dean of Faculty of Biology UGM, Dr. Budi Setiadi Daryono, M.Agr.Sc., said that Faculty of Biology UGM meets the challenges in terms of museum management. It is the only Faculty at UGM that is managing a museum directly.

"The development of Biology Museum UGM shall be deemed as necessary along with the development of Biology science and increasing education level of the society," he said when visiting Taman Pintar Yogyakarta on Thursday (20/7)

Accompanied by Vice-Dean for Research, Dr. Eko Agus Suyono, M.App.Sc., Head of Tropical Biology Department, Dr. Endang Semiarsi, M.S., M.Sc., and Head of Biology Museum, Donan Satria Yudha, M.Sc., Budi was met by Management Head of Taman Pintar Yogyakarta, Afia Rosdiana.

The academics further discussed the role of Taman Pintar as a centre of knowledge that presents



research outcomes from UGM's Faculty of Biology and Biology Museum. Periodically, Faculty of Biology will present research outcomes of lecturers, students, and study groups from the Faculty and the Museum collections in the Oval Room of Taman Pintar. The Faculty will also help Taman Pintar to renew its exhibition materials in the Biology Zone.

The next phase is to draft an agreement for programme realisation. In the future, the cooperation is expected to be able to educate the society, children, and students related to research in biology as well as introducing Indonesian biodiversities.

"Faculty of Biology UGM wants to increase the synergy in order to explore the potential of each party so that these can be developed into specialties and excellence of Yogyakarta and Indonesia," Budi concluded.

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