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In Accordance with current developments, Kuching Polytechnic, Sarawak (PKS) is joining the quest to produce a high quality semi-skilled workforce in the technical and commercial fields. In order to achieve this, PKS constantly strives to ensure that the quality of education and training provided is in fulfillment of the National Educational Philosophy and Policy. After being awarded with the MS ISO 9001:2000 Certificate in 2003, the PKS has employed the implementation of a high quality administration system which will undoubtedly produce the graduates and workforce that is needed by the country.

In the year 2004, the total number of PKS graduates is 1,287 compared to the previous year's 1,156. This increase clearly reflects the eagerness of PKS' to achieving the main aim which is to supply the demand for greater workforce. PKS has also succeeded in recording a consistency in exam results within the year 2004, with the passing rate of 96.7% (or 3,117 graduates) for the January session and 96.9% (or 3,174 graduates) for the July session.

In the co-curricular side, PKS has shown a satisfactory level of involvement and achievement where PKS has succeeded in attaining second place in the Robotics Competition as well as the 'Dikir Barat' competitions organized by Malaysia Polytechnics. These achievements reflect the fact that PKS has successfully created an environment that produces graduates who can excel in both academic and co-curricular activities.

The accelerated physical developments of PKS have been made possible under the Education Sector Support Project (ESSP), which began in the year 2000. The project, worth RM 42.3 million, provides new facilities such as computer labs, hostels ad warden quarters, besides upgrading existing facilities in order to cater for student development and improvement in teaching and learning activities. With the Campus Network System enabled, the management of information within the campus has become more systematic and orderly, making it possible for PKS to have facilities and a management system that it can be truly proud of. Determination, cooperation and commitment are desperately and greatly desired from all sides so that it can become the driving force behind the ambition to make Polytechnic Kuching one of the best Polytechnics in Malaysia.

I represent the whole of PKS in expressing thanks appreciation to those who have served PKS, especially to the former Director of PKS, Ir. Tang Soo Ha, KMN who retired on the 13th of December 2004, for the dedication and commitment demonstrated during his years with PKS. Finally, I would like to express my gratitude to the 2004 Annual Report Committee, and all staff who have contributed to the success of this annual report.

Thank you

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