

Nine Students of Bogor Agricultural University Have Been

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A total of nine students from various Faculty of Bogor Agricultural University have been awarded scholarships from Rabobank. The handing over of the scholarships took place in the special event "Rabobank Undergraduate Scholarship", held on Tuesday, 24 January 2012, in Jakarta. The recipient of those scholarships are (1). Ahmad Faris Abrori (Faculty of Agriculture); (2). Amalia Nurul Huda (Faculty of Agriculture); (3). Jordan Cristoper Pangabea (Faculty of Agriculture); (4). Mentari Amanda Putri (Faculty of Agriculture); (5). Rahmat Irkham Triaji (Faculty of Agricultural Technology); (6). Riana Santoso (Faculty of Human Ecology); (7). Ridwan Umar Hanafi (Faculty of Human Ecology); (8). Sonya Putri Rai (Faculty of Agriculture); and (9). Yurisqi Mukdisari (Faculty of Agriculture).

Those who were selected to receive the scholarship will be entitled to get facilities that include self-development funds and tuition fees which will be disbursed every semester amounted to Rp. 12.000.000,- (twelve million rupiah) per person.

The scholarships were handed over to every grantee by the President Director of PT Bank Rabobank International Indonesia, Mr. Henk Mulder, witnessed by Vice Rector of Academic and Student Affairs of Bogor Agricultural University, Prof. Dr. Ir. Yonny Koesmaryono, MS. In his remarks Mr. Henk Mulder said that the University is the leading agricultural universities which is so prestigious, as Bogor Agricultural University always takes in the best student through strict selection process.

"The University is the producer of leaders for the present and future for the Indonesian food and agribusiness sectors," said Henk. According to him, as a bank which is strongly focused on the areas of food and agribusiness, Rabobank will be a part of the growth of such sectors in Indonesia by sponsoring the future leaders of the said sector.

Meanwhile, Vice Rector of Academic and Student Affairs, Prof. Dr. Ir. Yonny Koesmaryono, MS in remarks explained the low interest of the young generation in the agricultural fields. From year to year, the number of high schools graduates who applied for admission to the agricultural schools have been declining, it was proofed by the closure of higher learning institutions which offer the agricultural fields in Indonesia. Yet, food and agriculture is the most important needs for Indonesia and the world, "said Prof. Yonny.

"Young people view agriculture as something that is dirty and wont' provide a promising life. Yet we know agriculture is the most important thing. Therefore Bogor Agricultural University put special interest on agriculture, and appreciate the younger generations who applied for admission to the University. Agriculture requires people are intelligent and superior to produce qualified experts, and therefore the University implement strict selection for its incoming students. (Wied).