

# RIGHT graduates conduct ICT Camp for students

**LAYAR, BETONG:** Eighty secondary students from various schools in the Betong Division were selected to attend an ICT Camp conducted by graduates of the Rural ICT Guided Home-based Technopreneur (RIGHT) Programme.

The three-day event, held at Pusat Sumber Pembangunan Desa Layar, was a joint effort by Sarawak Information Systems Sdn Bhd (SAINS), Ministry of Rural Development and Betong Division Education Department.

The aim of the camp was to engender an awareness of ICT and its uses to the younger generation.

The camp with the theme, "Born I.T" exposed the students to the components of computer hardware, tools, software and networks through instruction, presentations, case studies, quizzes as well as hands-on experience.

Audrey Geruda Tullie, a student who participated in the ICT camp, said that she was now more familiar with the use of desktop publishing, and that the camp had helped

her to better understand the potentials of ICT.

The RIGHT Programme graduates, who were aged between 20 and 25 years, conducted several activities with the camp participants. The RIGHT graduates exposed the students to the use of computers in e-commerce, desktop publishing and presentations.

Mathiew Gasah Jagan, another of the camp's students, commented that the trainers were very knowledgeable about computers.

"The RIGHT graduates were very friendly and very skilled in the usage of computers", he said.

The Chief Executive Officer of SAINS, Teo Tien Hiong together with Haji Hamsien Haji Atar, Principal Assistant Secretary to the Ministry of Rural Development officiated at the camp's closing ceremony.

At the function, Teo also presented prizes and certificates for the most innovative ICT presentation. The winning group, which was from SMK St Augustine Betong,



**TEO** (2nd left) handing over a prize to a representative from SMK St Augustine, Betong for best ICT creativity, presentation skills and teamwork at the camp, witnessed by Hamsien (2nd right) and Aniff from Betong Division Education Department (left) look on.

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The ICT camp, which is hosted by the RIGHT Programme, is an annual

programme for secondary students, organized by SAINS and Ministry of Rural Development. The goal of the programme is to bridge the urban-rural

digital divide. This event has been organized twice previously; in 2007 at SMK Limbang with 100 participating students and at SMK Lawas in 2008 with 120 stu-

dents.

For more information, please visit the RIGHT Programme website at [www.right.sarawak.gov.my](http://www.right.sarawak.gov.my)