

POIC setting up auxiliary police force

LAHAD DATU: POIC Sabah Sdn Bhd, the developer of the Lahad Datu palm oil industrial cluster (POIC Lahad Datu), is on a hiring exercise.

The state-owned company responsible for driving palm oil downstream development is hiring 42 auxiliary policemen as it builds its security setup in its 4,400-acre industrial park near here.

At the 'Memperkasa Modal Insan' event here yesterday, the company's booth was flooded and about 100 applications were received.

"We were recently granted permission to set up an auxiliary

police force at our park and we hope to employ locals to fill the positions," a POIC Sabah spokesman said, adding that its operations here was concurrently looking to hire port operations executives and an office assistant.

More than 500 youths attended the event which is essentially a jobs and career guidance fair organized by the Ministry of Human Resource and Information Technology Development, Sabah.

Investors at POIC Lahad Datu, including EcoOils Sdn Bhd, Agri Borneo Fertilisers, and Gamalux Oils Sdn Bhd have also set up

hiring booths. Several private educational and skills training institutions also participated, along with University College Sabah Foundation and Fajar International College from Miri, Sarawak.

Tungku assemblyman Datuk Haji Suhaili Said declared open the event which was organized by the state Ministry of Resource Development and Information Technology specifically for the Tungku area.

Suhaili, who is also chairman of the Sabah Islamic Affairs Council, commended POIC Sabah for its effort in promoting palm oil industrialization which,



Suhaili (second right) at the POIC Sabah booth with its officials at the launch of the "Memperkasa Modal Insan" event.

in the process, generates more employment opportunities in Lahad Datu.

He had earlier in his speech

urged Lahad Datu youths to seize opportunities coming from their family land and economic activities in the district.

"You can help your family advance economically without having to work elsewhere," he added.