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An online software Confirm A@Unite developed by Associate Professor Dr Mohd Azree Idris, a Mechanical Engineering lecturer from Universiti Tenaga Nasional (Uniten) Engineering College has shown results in assisting pupils from the B40 background understand difficult subjects in the classroom.

The software is based on SuKSES@Uniten, a computerised homework system by the university that was adapted for primary and secondary school students in 2010.

The launch of Confirm A@Uniten for primary school pupils was held at Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Jalan Empat, Bandar Baru Bangi recently.

Ministry of Education's Daily School Management Division director Mohd Jamil Mohamed said the online software consists of interactive training modules and quality questions that have been used consistently at SK Jalan Empat. With that, the ministry hopes the school could lead a transformation and serve as a model to other schools.

"This launch aims to extend the usage of online applications such as Confirm A@Uniten to schools throughout Malaysia, especially those in the B40 category this year," said Mohd Jamil.

"Confirm A@Uniten needs to move more dynamically to explore rural schools so that the facilities available in the city can be enjoyed by rural pupils, thus bringing the gap closer between the pupils.

Data analysis shows that the achievement of pupils using this application in all Ujian Penilaian Sekolah Rendah subjects has improved significantly.

"Therefore, I hope the usage of this application can be extended so



Mohd Jamil Mohamed (second from left) presenting the ID (password) of Confirm A@Uniten to Ainon Muhammed Salehuddin. With them is Professor Datuk Dr. Kamal Nasharuddin Mustapha (left) at the launch of Confirm A@Uniten for B40 students at SK Jalan Empat in Bandar Baru Bangi. PIC BY AIZUDDIN SAAD

that more pupils can benefit from this learning system," he added.

Also present at the launch were Uniten vice-chancellor Professor Datuk Dr Kamal Nasharuddin Mustapha and SK Jalan Empat headmistress Ainon Muhammed Salehuddin.

A usage analysis shows that 80 to 90 per cent of pupils secured A in certain subjects when they reached Level 10.

The levels of achievement of pupils

are categorised into 13 levels — Level 0 being the lowest while Level 13, the highest. The difficulty level of questions will increase as pupils continue to use the platform. This allows it to be used by any pupil.

"The system also allows parents to monitor their children's learning development through SMS or email sent to them every time their children pass a level," said Mohd Jamil.

The report and analysis of usage

and achievement in Confirm A@Uniten are given to schools so that they can plan various relevant teaching and learning activities for their pupils.

The university's initiative in providing expertise in the field of software programming and server-linkage infrastructure in the development of ICT learning has allowed other schools across Malaysia to use Confirm A@Uniten as well.

To date some 35,000 primary school

pupils from the B40 background have benefited from the online software, with almost 300 schools nationwide having received free access to it as part of Uniten's corporate social responsibility (CSR) through Yayasan Canselor Uniten.

Among the schools involved are SK Sungai Lesong, Kampar, Perak; SK [Felda] Seriting Hilir 2, Jempol, Negri Sembilan; and SK Tangok, Bachok, Kelantan.