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UTM - Tsukuba - A Tale of Two Universities

It took us about one an a-half hour ride in the luxury people carrier from our hotel in Tokyo to Tsukuba, a city with a population of about 220,000 that comprises 10% (more than 20,000) researchers and the largest number of PhD holders in Japan. It also houses 32 national research institutes (NRI) or some 30% of the total number of research institutes in Japan.

Little wonder this city is dubbed as the “largest science city” in Japan.

Our delegation, led by the MOHE Secretary General, Tan Sri Dr Noorul Ainur, was briefed by TU Vice President for Global Affairs, Prof Dr Caroline F Benton.

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