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## TAR UC student comes out top on world stage



**Job well done:** Dr Wee presenting Ho with the Best Student 2019 award during VTAR Institute's 23rd graduation ceremony. Looking on is VTAR Institute chief executive Tan Cheng Liang.

### Ng is first Malaysian to score a distinction for an ACCA paper

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**KUALA LUMPUR:** A Tunku Abdul Rahman University College (TAR UC) student did the nation proud when she bagged the title of World No.1 for a paper in the ACCA exam.

Caroline Ng Yi Wye (pic) scored a distinction in the "Strategic Business Leader" subject for the accounting exam in December last year.

MCA President Datuk Seri Dr Wee Ka Siong congratulated Ng for obtaining the top prize in the subject and for being the first in Malaysia to have done so.

Dr Wee said that TAR UC, set up by MCA, maintains tuition fees at an affordable level, while still offering high-quality education.

"The success achieved by Caroline Ng and many other graduates in TAR UC is proof to those who have doubts about the commitment of the political party that founded this educational institution.

"If one's intention is purely to blame another party, there are definitely a lot of 'tricks' to do that," he wrote on a Facebook post yesterday.

Dr Wee also mentioned about Ng's achievement at the graduation ceremony of VTAR Institute yesterday, where he was the guest of honour.

He added that TAR UC does not look at a person's background when enrolling them.

"We will educate them to become the country's top talent, and we accomplished that today," he said in his speech.

He later presented the 2019 best student award to Ho Wai Lam, who studied aesthetics.

VTAR Institute's 23rd graduation ceremony saw 287 students graduate from seven vocational courses, including electrical installation, hairdressing, and furniture.

Dr Wee said the government should offer vocational training to those with low income instead of bumping up the minimum wage.

"If you want to reduce dependence on foreign labour, you need to boost the skills of local talent.

"You need to identify how many are earn-



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ing below the minimum wage in Malaysia, let's say there are about 100,000 of them. You need to nurture their talent and then their salary can double or triple.

"You don't need to adjust the minimum wage, and you wouldn't have to force the SMEs to immediately pay for the increase in wages," he told reporters yesterday.

He also said the government should have kept to their pledge to abolish tolls.

"This government 'U-turns' on matters that they should not, but does not reverse decisions when they should.

"They should have U-turned on the flying car, and the free breakfast programmes in schools should have been reversed much earlier.

"(But) they keep U-turning on the black shoe issue until people are confused," he said.

Meanwhile, on the announcement that the government will not sell off PLUS highways, Dr Wee said the government should not make it out to seem like the people were benefiting when in fact the toll concession has been extended for another 20 years.

"I am extremely disappointed that the 18% discount is based on a 20-year extension which the government did not initially reveal.

"If you mention it, people will just curse and swear. We are not stupid - don't think people are stupid. It's something that people know how to calculate," he said.

On Wednesday, the government had confirmed that they would not sell off PLUS highways but instead would slash 18% of its toll prices and extend its concession until 2058.

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