Elated winners (from left) Lim, MIM chief operating officer Margaret Soo, Jing Er, Jason, Vern Han and Chong Jin.

They’re tops!

ASTUTE management skills has helped Kolej Tunku Abdul Rahman (KTAR) students bag the top two places in the Inter-College Challenge for Management Games.

The champions — Khoo Chong Jin, Lee Jing Er, Chan Vern Han and Jason Khaw — and first runners-up — Mok Chee Wai, Ng Wan Ling, Wallace Tan Chun Eng and Wong Pey Wen — are Business Studies advance diploma students.

Organised by the Malaysian Institute of Management (MIM), the MIMS-MIM Management Game challenge saw the students pit their skills and business acumen against eight teams from other local institutions of higher learning. The students had to manage a company that produced products for sale, and try to increase their market share and profit.

"Both teams had not competed before, so we had to train the students from scratch," said KTAR senior lecturer Lim Chin Hock.

"This business simulation game is a tool to give students a hands-on learning experience. Not all colleges are familiar with this strategy or incorporate it into their teaching methodology," he added.

"We had the chance to apply what we studied," said Chong Jin, the leader of the champion team.

"We also learnt how to work as a team. There is no such thing as the 'best' strategy. Situations and scenarios changed as the game progressed and we had to adapt accordingly," he added.