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# **Yayasan UMP receives RM470,648 from MUIP for zakat distribution and disaster relief**

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PAYA Besar, 20 September 2022 - Yayasan Universiti Malaysia Pahang received RM470,648.75 from the Pahang Islamic Religious and Malay Customs Council (MUIP), including RM220,648.75 in zakat fund assistance, Malaysian Family Eldest Student Development Programme (Sulung Scholarship) amounting to RM200,000.00 and RM50,000.00 in Disaster Relief.

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The donation was presented by the Chief Executive of the Pahang Islamic Religious and Malay Customs Council (MUIP), Dato' Ahmad Hairi Hussain to the Chairman of the UMP Board of Directors, Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr. Abdul Aziz Abdul Rahman who is also the Chairman of Yayasan UMP at the Yayasan UMP Zakat and Education Incentive Handover Ceremony at the UMP Banquet Hall, Gambang Campus.

Also present were the UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Ts. Dr. Yuserrie Zainuddin is also the Deputy Chairman of Yayasan UMP, UMP Bursar, Zainuddin Othman and the Chief Executive of Yayasan UMP, Mohd Jamil Mohd Ja'afar.

According to Tan Sri Dato' Sri Dr. Abdul Aziz, Yayasan UMP was established to channel aid for students including food aid and privation to ease the burden not only on students and staff but also on the local community.



“UMP is very concerned that these students are not dropping out and along with the development of technology, computers are also distributed to students with special needs.

“In the current situation, laptops are not a symbol of wealth, but a necessity for every student,” he said.

He hoped every student could do their best and excel in their studies.

Yayasan UMP is constantly attentive to the welfare of UMP students and the local community besides collecting contributions from various parties to realise this aspiration.



Meanwhile, the granting of Sulung Scholarship to help B40 students whose family members have never set foot in university would also inspire them to pursue higher education.

This year, 851 students have received zakat from the contributions from corporate agencies amounting to RM417,550.00 and today RM9,500.00 will be distributed to 19 diploma students,” he said.

Meanwhile, 72 UMP staff received zakat between RM200 to RM400 and education incentives for six students.

Sharing the university’s development, Tan Sri Dato’ Sri Dr. Abdul Aziz said, UMP is also expanding its international collaboration with German and Chinese institutions in strengthening the internationalisation agenda and adding value to academic programmes to be recognised internationally.

“In addition, to introduce new technologies in the field of science, UMP will hold a Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) programme in the future to attract students in line with the technology development.

“UMP is also mobilising efforts through various assistance programmes in collecting donations, especially disaster relief, buying school supplies and assistance in alleviating the burden of staff with health problems.

“Yayasan UMP also focuses on assisting the local community in Pahang affected by flood and other disasters,” he said.

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