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MRC CONTRIBUTES RM2.29 MILLION INCLUDING 10 VENTILATOR MACHINES TO THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH

KUALA LUMPUR, 9 AUGUST 2021 - The Malaysian Rubber Council (MRC) today presented a contribution of RM2.29 million to the Ministry of Health (MOH) in an effort to help the government fight the COVID-19 pandemic which has been increasingly alarming.

Through this Bantuan Prihatin programme for health institutions, MRC channelled contributions through the Ibn Sina Malaysia Medical Charity Organisation (PAPISMA) to COVID-19 Assessment Centres (CAC), COVID-19 Quarantine and Low-Risk Treatment Centres (PKRC), as well as shortlisted hospitals and vaccination centres (PPV) throughout the country.

A total of RM1.5 million of the total contributions will be used to purchase 10 new units of ICU ventilator machines for shortlisted hospitals. Meanwhile, RM290,000 will be channelled to CAC and PKRC listed for the provision of personal protective equipment (PPE) and non-medical equipment such as laptops. Lastly, RM500,000 will be channelled to vaccination centres (PPV).

Among the selected locations are CACs in Seremban, Negeri Sembilan and Sandakan, Sabah; PKRC at the Malaysia Agro Exposition Park Serdang (MAEPS); PPVs in Terengganu, Melaka, Kedah, Kelantan and Selangor, as well as hospitals in the Klang Valley, namely Tengku Ampuan Rahimah Hospital, Selayang Hospital and Kajang Hospital.

MRC Chief Executive Officer Nurul Islam Mohamed Yusoff presented ICU ventilator machines and other medical equipment including N95 face masks, Tyvek suits and vaccination equipment to Selangor State Health Department Director Dato' Indera Dr Sha'ari Ngadiman. Plantation Industries and Commodities Minister Yang Berhormat Dato' Dr. Mohd Khairuddin Aman Razali was also present at the launch.

Nurul Islam said that the MRC's Bantuan Prihatin Programme is one of the initiatives under the Council's Corporate Social Responsibility Programme where health relief assistance will be donated to government health authorities to help ease the task of frontliners, ensuring Malaysians obtain good health service during the COVID-19 crisis.

Meanwhile, PAPISMA President Dato' Dr Suhaini Kadiman said he is grateful to MRC for the trust given to collaborate in making this programme a success. PAPISMA will ensure that the contribution will be channelled accordingly to the relevant parties.

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