

BHB, BANK ISLAM CONTRIBUTES RM1.6 MILLION FOR COVID-19 EFFORTS

Funds will be utilised to support the needs of frontliners and underprivileged communities

KUALA LUMPUR, Sunday, [5 April 2020]: BIMB Holdings Berhad ("BHB") with its wholly-owned subsidiary, Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad ("Bank Islam or the Bank") today announces their contribution totalling RM1.6 million to support various humanitarian and medical-related causes in combating the COVID-19 pandemic.

BHB contributed RM1.0 million to #MusaadahCOVID-19 Fund, a fundraising programme initiated by Minister in the Prime Minister's Department (Religious Affairs). The fund is to provide relief to muslim and non-muslim frontliners who are adversely affected by the outbreak. The contribution was presented to YB Senator Dato' Seri Dr Haji Zulkifli Mohammad Al-Bakri, Minister in The Prime Minister's Department on 30 March.

Meanwhile, Bank Islam, through its corporate responsibility arm, AMAL, provides an allocation of RM600,000 for the following initiatives:

- i. financial assistance to micro-entrepreneurs whose business is severely affected by the pandemic.
- ii. Direct Relief Support Programme which will be used in supplying food and necessities to universities, orphanages, old folks' homes and homes for the disabled, as well as essentials and medical supplies to hospitals and district health clinics.
- iii. Purchase of necessities and essential needs for hospitals nationwide.

Encik Mohd Muazzam Mohamed, Chief Executive Officer of BIMB Holdings and Bank Islam said, "As a responsible corporate citizen, it is our responsibility to look after the wellbeing of our stakeholders and the communities. COVID-19 has taken a severe toll on the welfare of society and economic activities around the globe; more so on the medical fraternity and micro-entrepreneurs. The RM1.6 million pledge is part of our on-going effort to assist the vulnerable and underprivileged communities who have been significantly impacted by the pandemic. With all initiatives in place, we hope to be able to cushion the impact of the current adversaries for all."

About BIMB Holdings Berhad

BIMB Holdings Berhad ("BHB") is the first Islamic Financial Holding company approved by Bank Negara Malaysia under the Islamic Financial Services Act 2013. BHB was incorporated in Malaysia on 20 March 1997, and was listed on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on 16 September in the same year. The core subsidiaries of the BHB Group are pioneers in various Islamic financial services including banking, takaful, stockbroking, and other related services namely Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad, Syarikat Takaful Malaysia Keluarga Berhad and BIMB Securities Sdn Bhd.

About Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad

Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad was established in 1983 as the nation's first Islamic bank. To date, the Bank has a network of 144 branches and more than 900 self-service terminals nationwide. To meet the diversity of the public's financial needs, Bank Islam offers more than 70 *Shariah*-based banking products and services which cater to Muslims and non-Muslims. For more information on Bank Islam products and services, visit www.bankislam.com or call Bank Islam Call Centre at 03-26 900 900.

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