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## BANK ISLAM PROVIDES SCHOOL EQUIPMENT SETS FOR STUDENTS

50 selected students from five schools in Kuching, Sarawak benefit

**KUCHING, SARAWAK, Friday [13 January 2023]:** In conjunction with the opening of the 2023 school session, Bank Islam Malaysia Berhad (Bank Islam) today organised a 'Jom ke Sekolah' programme by sponsoring school equipment sets for 50 underprivileged students from five schools in Kuching.

The schools involved are Sekolah Kebangsaan (SK) Pajar Sejingkat, SK Tan Sri Datuk Dr Haji Sulaiman Daud, SK Astana, SK Rakyat Tupong and SK Semerah Padi.

Each student receives a donation worth RM300 of school supplies in the form of two (2) sets of uniforms, two (2) sets of sports pants, a bag and stationery, and two (2) pairs of shoes and socks. In addition, Bank Islam also sponsored the students to explore an exciting learning experience at the Borneo Cultures Museum, Kuching.

The 'Jom ke Sekolah' contribution handover was completed by Bank Islam Regional Director, East Malaysia, Zulkipli Mohamad Zen. In attendance, District Education Officer, District Education Office (PPD) Kuching, Hajah Shirini Mastura Mohamed Zulkifli, as well as principals and representative teachers from schools involved.

According to Zulkipli, "The 'Jom ke Sekolah' initiative is a part of Bank Islam's effort to share its prosperity with the community it operates in.

"As a Shariah-compliant financial institution, we do not forget our responsibility to provide the necessary support, especially to the communities greatly challenged by the current economic landscape and increasing cost of living. "To ease their expenses in providing the children's school preparation for the new session soon, Bank Islam is allocating RM38,000 to implement the 'Jom ke Sekolah' initiative in Kuching, Sarawak," he explained.

Bank Islam is allocating RM190,000 from its Zakat and corporate social responsibility fund to ensure the 'Jom ke Sekolah' programme is successful this year. It will benefit 500 students from Sarawak, Sabah, Selangor, Terengganu, Johor and Perak.

"We hope the contribution will alleviate the concerns of families involved as their children's schooling equipment is provided for. Hopefully, this effort can inspire the students to go to school and study for a bright future," added Zulkipli.

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