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Yayasan UMP distributes Back To School contributions by appointment

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KUANTAN, 14 January 2021 – A total of 104 children of Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) staff received a contribution of school necessities from Yayasan UMP upon the university concern in alleviating the school expenses of children of underprivileged staff.

The school necessities consisted of school uniforms, socks, shoes, school bags and stationeries for the children who will go to school soon.

Given the present state of Pahang in the Conditional Movement Control Order (PKPB), UMP implemented this contribution by appointments and staff only need to be present at a predetermined time only.

The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Student Affairs & Alumni), Professor Dato' Dr. Yuserrie Zainuddin cum Deputy Chairman of Yayasan UMP said that only parents are allowed to enter and accompany the children to get the school supplies. "In addition, they also need to follow the standard operating procedure (SOP) such as wearing a face mask and undergoing body temperature screening before entering the hall.

"Concerned on the needs of the UMP staff, Yayasan UMP has come forward to contribute the school necessities for the second year.

"Hopefully this donation will motivate these children to study hard," he said. Also present was the Chief Executive of Yayasan UMP, Mohd Jamil Mohd Ja'afar. UMP also moves the cause through its 'Staf Bantu Staf' campaign to collect contributions among UMP associates to help other staff, particularly for disaster contribution, the purchase of school supplies, and help ease staff burden afflicted with health problems.

Yayasan UMP also focuses on the support to local communities in the state involved in the floods recently.

A UMP Security Guard, Mohd Nor Asfarida Nafiah, 39, attended with her two children Adam Haris Mohd Hairi, 15 and Daneal Iskandar Mohd Hairi who study at Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Lepar Hilir to receive the assistance.

"Alhamdulillah, this aid helps ease the burden.

"As a single mother, my responsibilities are heavier when preparing for school admission for the children.

"This assistance can save expenses and allocation money for school uniforms, which in turn can be used to pay fees," she said.

As for the UMP driver, Muhamad Nazri Ismail, he was grateful as his child also selected to receive the contribution of school supplies.

He also thanked UMP and Yayasan UMP for always caring, not only for the local communities but also for the underprivileged staff.

"This assistance is very much appreciated and help ease the burden when the cost of living is getting higher," he said.