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Yayasan UMPSA distributes 'Back To School' donations for staff children in need

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GAMBANG, 28 February 2024 - A total of 100 children of Universiti Malaysia Pahang Al-Sultan Abdullah (UMPSA) staff received donations of school necessities from the UMPSA Foundation, reflecting the university's concern in alleviating the schooling expenses of staff members in need.

The school essentials include school uniforms, socks, shoes, school bags, and stationery for children

who will step into the school world for the 2024/2025 session soon.

One of the recipients, Rohaiza Ms Rasdi, an Assistant Administrative Officer of the Faculty of Civil Engineering Technology (FTKA), expressed her joy when selected to receive the school uniform donation for her seven-year-old eldest child who will start schooling soon.

"I am very excited about my eldest child who will be stepping into the school world in Year 1 at Sekolah Kebangsaan Gambang," she said.

According to the mother of three, this programme is timely and helps alleviate the concerns of some staff members in preparing early for their children's schooling.

"Moreover, the month of Ramadan and Eid al-Fitr are approaching, which also require expenses," she said.

Security Guard, Iskandar Abdul Rahman, expressed gratitude for the UMPSA Foundation's contribution.

"This year, it's quite overwhelming to think about the cost of schooling as four out of my five children are attending school.

"The high cost of school essentials is indeed burdensome for me.

"However, praised to God, the contribution from the UMPSA Foundation helps alleviate the burden," he said.

He also thanked the university management for their concern for their employees.

The programme, organized by the Management Services Division (BKP), Registrar's Department, and UMPSA Foundation, was assisted by ten UMPSA Kilau volunteers at the Multipurpose Hall, UMPSA Pekan, and Block W, UMPSA Campus, Gambang.

At the event, UMPSA Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr. Yuserrie Zainuddin, who is also the Deputy Chairman of the UMPSA Foundation, was present to deliver donations and provide support to the children and staff of UMPSA.

He stated that through this programme, the university hopes to motivate children to start the schooling session with renewed enthusiasm.

"We want to share what we have with those in need, especially in alleviating the burden on families every time a new school session begins. There are certainly many expenses to be incurred, especially in purchasing school necessities such as school uniforms, school shoes, and so on," he said.

He expressed his desire to increase the number of beneficiaries in the future so that more people can be assisted.

Also present were the Director of the Corporate Communications Centre, Mimi Rabita Abd Wahit, and Senior Executive of the Management Services Division, Registrar's Department, Abd Rahman Ahmad. By: Nor Salwana Mohammad Idris, Centre for Corporate Communications

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