



**PRESS RELEASE**  
**PROGRAM CAHAYA ILMU: STUDENT EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE**

IPOH, 18 January 2020 – The Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) in collaboration with the Ministry of Human Resources (MOHR) organised its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) initiative benefitting 941 students of various ages from 452 families today.

The contribution presented by the Honorable Minister of Human Resources, M. Kula Segaran, is an effort to ease the burden of education expenses of less fortunate families while encouraging them to save and invest with National Education Savings Scheme or Skim Simpanan Pendidikan Nasional (SSPN).

Kula Segaran in his speech said that the government is encouraging the parents and children to save with SSPN for the future needs of their children's education while fostering the value and spirit of saving.

"The contribution is expected to support the children's education, improve their family well-being and motivate students to study," added by him.

The event was witnessed by MOHR Deputy Secretary-General (Policy and International), Datuk Muhd Khair Razman Bin Mohamed Annuar; MOHR Deputy Secretary-General (Operations), Mr Maniam Arumugam; HRDF Chairman of the Board, Dato' Noor Farida Mohd Ariffin; and HRDF Chief Executive, Elanjelian Venugopal

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## **ABOUT HRDF**

Tracing its origin to the year 1993 as Majlis Pembangunan Sumber Manusia (MPSM), the Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad (PSMB) is an agency under the purview of the Ministry of Human Resources Malaysia.

PSMB or also known as the Human Resources Development Fund (HRDF) is governed by the Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad Act 2001 (PSMB Act 2001). HRDF was given the mandate by the Malaysian Government to catalyse the development of a competent local workforce that will contribute to Malaysia's vision of becoming a high-income economy.

HRDF has grown remarkably from our establishment in 1993. Starting life as an institution that collected levy and disbursed training grants, we have gone from strength-to-strength to contribute significantly in providing training and up-skilling interventions to key industries in Malaysia especially the Small and Medium Enterprises' (SMEs) sector.

For perspective, the objective of HRDF under the Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad Act, 2001 (PSMB Act 2001) is the imposition and collection of a human resources development (HRD) levy from employers under 63 sub-sectors within three (3) key economic sectors — Manufacturing, Services, and Mining and Quarry — with ten (10) or more employees. These employers contribute one (1) per cent of their total monthly payroll to the Fund which we treat as an HRD "levy".

The vision forward for HRDF is to future-proof Malaysia through the country's most valued asset — its people. Safeguarding the future also includes assuming a greater responsibility to reach out to the corporates by educating and motivating them to seek the benefits and value of our learning and development schemes, initiatives and programmes.

### **Vision**

- Every Malaysian employee trained

### **Mission**

- Spearhead the Learning and Development of the Malaysian workforce

### **Objective**

- To encourage employers covered under the Pembangunan Sumber Manusia Berhad Act 2001 to retrain and upgrade the skills of their employees, apprentices and trainees in line with their business needs and the development strategy of the country.

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