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### **YAYASAN SABAH GROUP ENHANCING STATE EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

**KOTA KINABALU (Thursday):** Yayasan Sabah Group in collaboration with Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) organised One-Off Educational Assistance Presentation to 1,000 Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) students and Secondary School Assistance to 300 of B40 category students from ten schools around Kota Kinabalu. The ceremony was held at UMS.

The educational assistance was presented by Chief Minister of Sabah cum Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yayasan Sabah, Datuk Seri Panglima Haji Mohd. Shafie bin Haji Apdal.

“Over the years, Yayasan Sabah Group has continuously pursued its responsibilities in realising the main objectives of its establishment by raising standard of living of the people through uplifting the quality of education and educational facilities for Sabahans,” said the Director of Yayasan Sabah, Datuk Haji Jamalul Kiram bin Datuk Haji Mohd. Zakaria in his speech.

“Till this day, Yayasan Sabah Group continues to move forward in enhancing the efforts of the State and Federal Government in the development of the state as a whole, where education continues to be the main agenda for Yayasan Sabah Group,” explained Datuk Haji Jamalul.

Since the first batch of students sent to Peninsular Malaysia back in 1968, Yayasan Sabah Group has been unceasingly active in empowering its education development agenda to the people.

Yayasan Sabah Group has allocated a considerable amount for educational sponsorship ever since its inception. To date, a total of 19,093 students have benefited from the Yayasan Sabah Scholarship/Grants for Higher Education totalling RM327.12 million and a total of 73,245 students received Secondary Scholarship/Grants sponsorship amounting to RM112.09 million. Overall, as at 2019, a total of RM766.5 million educational sponsorship has been distributed to Sabah's secondary and higher learning institution students.

According to Datuk Haji Jamalul, the One-Off Educational Assistance is a special fund to 2018 first-year Sabah students in institutions of higher learning in Malaysia. Since its launching, the fund has been distributed in stages.

“It is our hope that the Yayasan Sabah Group educational assistance will be used best by new students in higher learning institutions as well as students who are attending secondary school. This also eases the burden of parents who need to think about the cost of study for their children,” said Datuk Jamalul.

“Yayasan Sabah Group is committed to support the effort of the Sabah State Government in providing educational opportunities to more students by increasing the amount of educational sponsorship to our young generation in the state. With close cooperation with the State Government, I believe the dream to see the increased education level in our state can be realised,” he further added.



*Pix 1: Symbolic presentation of mock cheque of the One-Off Education Assistance from Datuk Haji Jamalul (left) to Prof. Datuk Dr. D. Kamarudin D. Mudin (right), Vice Chancellor, UMS witnessed by Datuk Seri Shafie (second, left) and Datuk Dr. Yusof bin Haji Yacob (second, right), Education and Innovation Minister of Sabah.*



*Pix 2: Secondary students receiving the Secondary School Educational Assistance from Chief Minister of Sabah, Datuk Seri Shafie.*



*Pix 3: Group photo of Educational Assistance recipients with Chief Minister of Sabah.*

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