

UMP Holdings gives laptops to flood-affected students

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UMP Holdings Group interim group chief executive officer Associate Professor Dr Ahmad Tarmizi Haron (second from right) presenting a laptop for flood-affected university students to Higher Education director-general Professor Datuk Dr Husaini Omar in Putrajaya recently. PIC BY MOHD FADLI HAMZAH

KUALA LUMPUR: The UMP Holdings Group has donated RM30,000 worth of high-performance laptops to university students affected by devastating floods last year under the Higher Education Ministry's (MoHE) Flood Relief Fund.

UMP Holdings Group interim group chief executive officer Associate Professor Dr Ahmad Tarmizi Haron said the contribution was aimed at alleviating the burden of flood victims, especially university students who suffered losses that might disrupt their studies.

"Many university students suffered losses as they were unable to save their belongings, especially their laptops, which are the main equipment used in their studies.

"Hence, UMP Holdings is concerned with the situation and seeks to channel this contribution via the MoHE Flood Fund," he said, adding that the company chose to

donate laptops as they were a long-term necessity and could be utilised by the recipients for the long-term.

Tarmizi said this contribution was part of UMP Holdings' corporate social responsibility initiative.

"This contribution has been carried out by the UMP Holdings Group and its subsidiaries since 2020, and this effort continues to this day.

"We have also cooperated with the universities as well as non-governmental organisations, which are always ready and willing to provide necessary assistance to the needy.

"At the same time, I also encourage and call on other organisations to provide assistance to flood victims from time to time," he said.

Tarmizi said the laptops would be given to university students who were affected by the floods, especially those from B40 communities.

"MoHE will get a report from each university in the country, and from there, they will decide how to identify the recipients."

Tarmizi said UMP Holdings had also contributed another RM30,000 worth of aid to the MoHE Flood Relief Fund at the beginning of this year.

"UMP Holdings has been distributing hampers of daily necessities as well as one-off cash assistance directly to those who have been impacted by the floods.

"We are ready to help and will continue to channel donations if there is anything that requires our assistance," he said, adding that the company would always help all communities as best as it could.

The company provides various products and services through its subsidiaries, namely UMP Technology, UMP Services, UCT Solutions and also UMP Energy.

Tarmizi hoped that with the laptop donation, university students would work hard to complete their assignments and continue their studies with enthusiasm.

"Hopefully the recipients of these laptops will be able to use them well and contribute back to the education ecosystem," he said.

Present was Higher Education director-general Professor Datuk Dr Husaini Omar, who received the donations on behalf of MoHE.