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Islamic insurance company contributes to fund to help frontliners



Good initiative: Mohamed Hassan praises SMG's move to help medical professionals.

PETALING JAYA: Takaful Malaysia Keluarga Bhd, an Islamic insurance company, has contributed RM100,000 to the Star Frontliners Initiative.

The campaign was launched by Star Media Group (SMG) through its charitable arm Star Foundation to raise funds for the purchase of medical supplies to be sent to hospitals and frontliners in fighting the Covid-19 outbreak in Malaysia.

"As an insurance company, we are unconditionally supportive of the fundraising initiative organised by the Star Media Group to buy medical supplies that are essential for the frontliners in carrying out immediate on-site health and medical relief operations.

"This is the least we can do to show our support for the medical frontliners who are working around

the clock in battling the Covid-19 outbreak," said Takaful Malaysia group chief executive officer Datuk Seri Mohamed Hassan Kamil.

"We have the greatest respect for their unwavering courage.

"The frontliners are putting themselves at risk while saving lives as we continue to witness ongoing new cases of people infected with the virus.

"We hope our monetary contribution will help to support the Health Ministry and ease the shortage of medical supplies faced by government hospitals in providing screening and treatment for Covid-19 patients," he said.

With the RM1mil from SMG to kickstart the Star Frontliners Initiative, the total amount in the fund currently stands at RM2,136,386.44.

Donations can be made to Star Foundation – Medical Fund's Public Bank account (31-9984-9230) via bank transfer, credit or debit cards.

Meanwhile, Mohamed Hassan said Takaful Malaysia had also initiated a Covid-19 relief programme in the face of uncertainties as the pandemic continued to plague Malaysians.

"The programme offers eligible participants a deferment in family takaful contribution payments for three consecutive months.

"We want to ensure customers financially affected by the pandemic will continue to be protected.

"Additionally, we offer a complimentary extension of coverage for Covid-19 under our newly introduced Takaful myClick MozzCare at

no additional cost for a lump sum cash payout of up to RM2,000 if the person covered is diagnosed with the virus.

"We provide coverage, too, for hospitalisation expenses incurred, subject to the certificate benefits limit, if any member of our Employee Benefits Plan is tested positive.

"Together, we can move beyond this challenging ordeal.

"But please stay at home, observe the MCO and take the precautionary measures as outlined by the Health Ministry to prevent the spread of the virus," added Mohamed Hassan.

For queries on the Star Frontliners Initiative and tax exemption receipt, email starfoundation@thestar.com.my, call 1-300-88-7827 or visit starfoundation.com.my