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## TAKAFUL MALAYSIA PRESENTS ZAKAT DONATIONS TO 108 BENEFICIARIES

**SYARIKAT** Takaful Malaysia Keluarga Berhad (STMKB or Takaful Malaysia), the FIRST takaful operator in Malaysia, recently presented zakat contributions to 108 Asnaf (eligible tithe recipients) involving an al-

location of RM21,600. The distribution of zakat contributions is a collaborative initiative by Takaful Malaysia and the Resident Representative Council (Majlis Perwakilan Penduduk or MPP) of Subang Jaya City

Council (Majlis Bandaraya Subang Jaya or MBSJ). This initiative is part of the Asnaf Development Programme organised by MPP of MBSJ to provide financial assistance to eligible zakat recipients.

Nor Azman Zainal, Group Chief Executive Officer of Syarikat Takaful Malaysia Keluarga Berhad, in a statement said, "Our contribution is significant to help the Asnaf in Puchong Utama district, Selangor. This initiative aligns with our core value of giving back to society and extending help to those in need through zakat donations and corporate social responsibility programmes. The zakat distribution is not limited to providing subsistence living for the underprivileged; rather, it aims to enrich them, improve the economy of Asnaf, and ultimately empower communities. For that reason, we sincerely hope today's zakat donation will put a smile on the faces of the beneficiaries and their families and help ease their financial burden."

As of June 2022, Takaful Malaysia has disbursed approximately RM2 million business zakat to various individual and institutional beneficiaries throughout Malaysia.

Nor Azman Zainal added, "As a responsible takaful operator, we look forward to the opportunity to help the

community as a sign of our gratitude for Allah SWT's blessings. We are always concerned about helping the community, especially the Asnaf, through our corporate social responsibility initiatives. The need for zakat distribution from corporate companies is essential given the number of poor and needy Asnaf families is expected to increase due to the current economic situation. Therefore, Takaful Malaysia is always at the forefront of supporting noble initiatives such as the Asnaf Development Programme initiated by the representative council, especially when it leads to the community's growth and wellbeing of the underprivileged."

"Through Zakat, the poor and those in need are cared for. It is an alternative approach to poverty alleviation and capacity building for the needy to be more productive as it provides a beautiful way of life in maintaining the appropriate socioeconomic of the Ummah. Thus, our continuous effort is to fulfil the pillars of Islam by making zakat contributions to deserving beneficiaries. We hope it will help, particularly in uplifting the standard of living of the Asnaf to face challenging times and the Muslim community as a whole," said Nor Azman Zainal in his speech.