



UniKL Mestech students and 25 participants from the Masjid Sungai Ramal Luar welfare committee worked together to clean up the mosque's compound.

Charity from the heart

ON April 28, a charity programme called Qaseh Mahabbah was held at Masjid Sungai Ramal Luar, Kajang. This act of kindness was a successful collaboration between Universiti Kuala Lumpur Institute of Medical Science and Technology (UniKL Mestech) alongside committee members of Masjid Sungai Ramal Luar.

Qaseh Mahabbah focused on providing aid in the form of daily necessities to 94 asnafs (poor people) around Kampung Sungai Ramal Luar as early preparation for Ramadan.

Ninety-four packs of kitchen supplies containing cooking oil, vermicelli, dates, sardines, sugar, soy sauce, chilli sauce, flour, biscuits and 10kg rice packs were successfully distributed to the asnafs throughout the programme.

The goods distributed were infaq (donation) items from generous individuals and company sponsors, including MS Crispy Food Industry and Syarikat Pyorr Teh Ais Kajang branch.

It is hoped that this initiative would lessen the financial burden of the asnafs as they could benefit from the donations throughout the fasting month.

Apart from that, a gotong royong activity including cleaning the mosque's compound was conducted by 28 volunteers from UniKL Mestech, together with 25 participants from Masjid Sungai

Ramal Luar's welfare committee on the same day.

Masjid Sungai Ramal Luar nazir, Tuan Haji Ahmad Khidz-bullah Ridzuan said he was grateful for the collaboration between UniKL Mestech and the mosque.

He also hoped the local community would recognise the existence of asnafs as they need the society's support to survive the challenges of everyday life.

UniKL Mestech Student Development and Campus Lifestyle deputy dean Mejar Bersekutu (PA) Dr Aladin Mamat, who was also the Qaseh Mahabbah adviser, said this kind of programme aimed to increase the social handling skills and voluntary spirit among the UniKL Mestech community.

Additionally, community services can benefit from building noble values and generous traits within the younger generation through their experience with the hardships faced by asnafs.

This kind of experience is central to the development of social and spiritual well-being of UniKL students.

It is hoped that such programmes will expose them to the reality of their surroundings and prepare them in entering a new phase of their adulthood.

■ For details, look out for the advertisement in this *StarSpecial*.