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JOHOR PORT CONTRIBUTES RM1 MILLION TO UTM ENDOWMENT FUND

JOHOR BAHRU, 17 August 2021 - Johor Port Berhad (Johor Port), a member of MMC Group donated RM1 million to Universiti Technologic Malaysia (UTM) for its Endowment Fund in a handover ceremony held virtually.

The cheque donation was handed over by Md Derick Basir, Chief Executive Officer of Johor Port Berhad to YBhg Prof Datuk Ts Dr Ahmad Fauzi Ismail, Vice Chancellor of Universiti Teknologi Malaysia witnessed by YBhg Dato' Sri Che Khalib Mohamad Noh, Group Managing Director of MMC Corporation Berhad. Also present during the virtual ceremony were senior officials of UTM and senior management of Johor Port.

The main purpose for the establishment of the UTM Endowment Fund is to assist the poor and needy students who are academically good but unfortunately are incapable of financing their fees and their cost of living.

In his welcome speech, the Vice Chancellor of UTM expressed his gratitude and thanks to Johor Port for its continued commitment to help UTM, especially by channeling funds to the UTM Endowment Fund amounting to RM8 million, from 2013 to 2021. Donations to the Fund were invested in low-risk and shariah-compliant fixed deposits, and the investment gains (*hibah pelaburan*) were used to help 21 outstanding UTM students who are under B40 category through the Al-Bukhary Endowment Scholarship. To date, a total of 12 Al-Bukhary Endowment Scholarship recipients have graduated and successfully completed their respective study programs.

In appreciation of Johor Port's contribution, UTM has renamed the UTM Marine Technology Centre as the UTM - Johor Port Marine Technology Centre. The Vice Chancellor of UTM said that Johor Port Berhad's contribution to the UTM Endowment

Fund would ensure that the welfare of the less unfortunate UTM students would continue to be secured.

Johor Port Chairman and Group Managing Director of MMC Corporation Bhd, YBhg Dato' Sri Che Khalib Mohamad Noh, said, "We believe that the private sector can make a significant contribution to the development of higher education in terms of fund contribution and industry training experience. The contribution from Johor Port is one of our Corporate Social Responsibilities initiatives to the State in helping the children of our nation towards pursuing their aspirations to acquire knowledge and become successful. Especially in this current situation where many have lost their source of income and some of them may have children who are currently studying at UTM. We don't want them to be discouraged in continuing their studies at universities. Education is an important asset to change the standard of living and it can change one's future for the better."

"And I believe that the cooperation between corporate companies and universities can be a positive platform to develop human capital that are of higher quality, more skilled and knowledgeable, creative and innovative; and which in turn can help to develop the country towards greater excellence in the future," he added.

"We are happy contributing to the UTM Endowment Fund knowing that our contribution can help the much-needed students and indirectly can help the nation to produce high performance young talents. As a high-performance organisation, we believe that high performance talents are the most crucial element towards organisational success and we are happy to be able to play a part in it through our contribution to the UTM Endowment Fund," said Md Derick Basir, Chief Executive Officer of Johor Port Berhad.

Johor Port, a member of MMC Group, serves as a catalyst for various industries specializing in commodities, manufacturing, and Oil and Gas activities. The Port has five Terminals with 24 berths totaling 4.75km covering a spectrum of activities including Container, Bulk and Break Bulk activities. It is also the first port in Johor designed as a multi-purpose port to cater for all types of cargo.

MMC Group remains committed in empowering the next generation with knowledge, which stems from the Group's beliefs that education is the key to help the underprivileged to improve their standard of living through its various CSR initiatives.



Photo caption: The RM1 million Johor Port Contribution Handover Ceremony to the UTM Endowment Fund was held virtually.

About Johor Port Berhad

Johor Port Berhad, a Member of MMC Group is an integrated multi-purpose port facility located at the southern tip of Peninsula Malaysia providing a comprehensive range of port services to meet the individual needs of its customer. Commencing operation in 1977 as the original Southern Gateway Multi-Purpose Port in Malaysia, Johor Port currently operates a total area of 1,000 acres, 660 acres of which are designated as Free Zone.

With 24 berths and a total berthing length of 4.9 km, the services and facilities within Johor Port include the Container Terminal, Bulk and Break Bulk Terminal, Liquid Terminal and Warehousing Facilities. As the 1st port in Malaysia to be accorded with Free Zone status, Johor Port is the appointed Free Zone Authority for the management of its Free Zone area.

Johor Port is the largest Palm Oil terminal in the world and was designated as an approved London Metal Exchange (LME) location in 2004. Johor Port is also one of the largest discharging points for Rice and Cocoa in Malaysia as well as being one of the biggest Terminals in Malaysia for Fertilizer and Cement.

For more information, please visit <http://www.johorport.com.my/>

About MMC Corporation Berhad

MMC Corporation Berhad (MMC) is a leading utilities and infrastructure group with diversified businesses under three divisions, namely ports & logistics, energy & utilities and engineering & construction.

Its key businesses under the Ports and Logistics division include the operations of Port of Tanjung Pelepas Sdn Bhd, Johor Port Berhad, Northport (Malaysia) Bhd, Penang Port Sdn Bhd and

Kontena Nasional Berhad. Internationally, MMC has an associate stake in Red Sea Gateway Terminal Company Limited, a container port terminal within the Jeddah Islamic Port, Saudi Arabia.

Under the Energy & Utilities division, MMC is the single largest shareholder of both Malakoff Corporation Berhad and Gas Malaysia Berhad.

MMC's Engineering & Construction division has further established itself in the sector with a leading role as the Project Delivery Partner (PDP) and underground works package contractor for the 51km Klang Valley Mass Rapid Transit (KVMRT) project (Sungai Buloh-Kajang Line) and Line 2 project (Sungai Buloh-Serdang-Putrajaya Line). Prior to this, MMC has successfully completed the 329km Ipoh-Padang Besar Electrified Double Tracking Project as well as the innovative Stormwater Management and Road Tunnel (SMART) motorway, the first-of-its-kind dual-purpose tunnel in the world.

MMC continues to make inroads in the construction industry, securing key civil and infrastructure projects in the country namely Langat Centralised Sewerage Treatment Plant, Langat 2 Water Treatment Plant, civil and infrastructure works for RAPID Pengerang Cogeneration Plant. Additionally, MMC has a 20% effective interest in Borneo Highway PDP Sdn Bhd (BHP) which has been appointed as PDP for the Sabah Pan Borneo Highway Project.

In other businesses, MMC owns Aliran Ihsan Resources Berhad, a water treatment plant operator and Senai Airport Terminal Services Sdn Bhd, the operator of Senai International Airport in Johor Bahru; a major aviation hub and the main air transportation gateway to Iskandar Malaysia. Additionally, MMC's Group Property arm manages close to 6,000 acres of industrial developments in Iskandar Malaysia, Johor and Kulim, Kedah, namely Senai Airport City, Tanjung Bin Petrochemical & Maritime Industrial Centre (TBPMIC) and Northern Technocity in Kulim. The Senai Airport City, TBPMIC and NTC (NTC) developments come under the ambit of Group Property's three operating companies – Senai Airport City Sdn Bhd, Seaport Worldwide Sdn Bhd and Northern Technocity Sdn Bhd respectively.

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