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TNB employees reach out to those affected by pandemic



Donations, via Tenaga Nasional Bhd's Tabung Warga TNB Prihatin, have been channelled to recipients from various races across the peninsula since June 20. PIC BY AZIAH AZMEE



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KUALA LUMPUR: More than 6,100 families and individuals affected by the Covid-19 pandemic have received donations of more than RM3.35 million from Tenaga Nasional Bhd employees since June this year.

The donations were contributed by more than 14,500 employees via salary deductions and channelled to the company's Tabung Warga TNB Prihatin.

TNB president and chief executive officer Datuk Baharin Din said the donations were channelled to recipients from various races throughout the peninsula, beginning from June 20.

He said the recipients were identified based on a list of B40 groups involving the disabled, e-Kasih, Social Welfare Department (JKM) and the People's Housing Programme (PPRT) under the Women, Family and Community Development Ministry, State Zakat Centres and from TNB staff feedback as well.

"The prolonged pandemic has a lasting effect. There are many stories of grief out there... the staff involved in managing the distribution of this fund can see how great the suffering of the people is."

The fund was initially launched on June 9 and closed on July 15, but was continued until December to provide an opportunity for TNB employees to continue to express their gratitude by continuing the practice of giving donations.

"The good response from TNB employees that resulted in the success of the fund highlights TNB's culture of caring, cooperation, putting customers first, integrity, professionalism and vision, which is crucial in the utility company's overall efforts to help the government succeed in the National Recovery Plan (NRP)," Baharin said.

In supporting the NRP, he said, TNB focused on four aspects, namely saving lives, protecting the vulnerable, providing a stable electricity supply and driving economic recovery.

This is also reflected through initiatives to provide assistance to the affected communities such as by providing food carts and food banks by employees in the various states and at TNB stations nationwide.

The various associations and clubs in TNB, including the TNB Islamic Workers' Welfare Association, TNB Women's Association (Pelitawanis TNB) and Kelab Kilat TNB, also donated food packages to those in need.

TNB also provided various forms of assistance worth almost RM9.5 million to more than 10,000 people in the B40 category by financing the reconstruction and repair of houses, distribution of food supplies and basic necessities as well as pocket money since the beginning of this year.