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Act of joy and love

UNIVERSITI Kuala Lumpur Malaysian Spanish Institute (UniKL MSI) treated secondary school students in Kulim to a Hari Raya shopping session at Kulim Landmark, Kedah. A total of 50 students between 13 and 17 years old, accompanied by staff shopped for Raya items, which included Raya clothes and accessories.

The staff bonded with the students to make them feel at ease and cared for.

This programme, in collaboration with Pertubuhan Kebajikan Anak Kedah (KASEH) and Pejabat Pendidikan Daerah Kulim Bandar Baru (PPDKBB), was conducted for the second time and involved UniKL MSI staff and teachers.

Most of the students wore happy expressions as they excitedly picked out new clothes for Hari Raya. One of the participants from Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Kulim said he was very happy after being informed by his teacher that he was selected for this programme.

"This is my first time joining this shopping programme. I hope that it can be conducted every year and especially dedicated to orphans like me," he said.

UniKL MSI dean Prof Dr Abu

Talib Othman said the shopping spree had been an annual UniKL event since 2013.

"We want to share the joy of Aidilfitri with the less fortunate while easing their burden. Every year we select students from a different school in Kulim for the treat and this year, four schools were selected," he said during the opening ceremony at PPDKBB before the event at the shopping centre.

Prof Dr Abu Talib said each student was given opportunities to select their own clothes to shop for baju Raya. "It gives us joy to see the smiles on the students as they shop. We hope that our small contribution will brighten their Hari Raya," he said.

Within the same programme, the students were also presented withduit Raya and Raya hamper.

During Ramadan, UniKL MSI conducted a series of charity programmes, including iftar with orphans held at UniKL MSI campuses. UniKL also prepared more than 200 Raya hampers to distribute during the charity programme series.

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



(Pic left)
The students picking out baju Raya.



(Pic below)
The participants gathered for a picture after the event.