

## Rural Kids Education Fund raises RM1.1 million through charity golf tournament

**KOTA SAMARAHAN:** The Charity Golf for Rural Kids Education Fund raised around RM1.1 million from its charity golf tournament yesterday, surpassing its initial target of RM500,000.

Deputy Chief Minister Datuk Amar Douglas Uggah Embas said the fund raised through donations from corporate companies and individuals would go towards assisting 9,936 children from 121 schools which were affected by flood in the state this year.

“The funds will be channelled through the MyKasih Foundation, a non-profit organisation that provides food aid, health awareness and financial literacy programmes, children’s education

and skills training programme to less fortunate Malaysians.

“The foundation has been assisting our school children in Sarawak and they have a mechanism and system which has proven to be a transparent and accepted system,” he said at the Charity Golf for Rural Kids Education Fund prize giving ceremony at Samarahan Country Club here yesterday.

Uggah, who is patron of the tournament, expressed his heartfelt appreciation to the donors who came from various social backgrounds.

“There are even some of them who do not know where Long Bemang is but they sincerely and voluntarily want to help. That is a

very noble effort on their part and we appreciate their generosity,” he said.

During the ceremony, Uggah presented prizes to the tournament winners. Dr Chen Shiun emerged champion in the charity golf tournament beating 36 other golfers. The women’s category was won by Datin Jane Lee.

Also present were State Secretary Tan Sri Datuk Amar Morshidi Abdul Ghani, who is also the tournament’s advisor; Assistant Minister for Agriculture Malcolm Mussen Lamoh; Chief Political Secretary to the Chief Minister Abdullah Saidol; MyKasih Foundation chairman Tan Sri Dr Ngau Boon Keat and organising chairman Datuk Richard Lee.



Uggah (fourth left) presenting the tournament trophy to Dr Chen (fourth right) witnessed by Morshidi (third right) and others.