



PRESS RELEASE

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Schools in the Limbang and Lawas Districts get a helping hand from Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation and Sarawak Timber Association

A total of 61 Primary and 9 Secondary Schools in the Limbang and Lawas districts of Sarawak recently received financial assistances from YB Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Ali Hasan, the Chairman of the Board of Management of Sarawak Timber Industry Development Corporation (STIDC) who is also the Minister of Resource Planning & Environment II cum Minister of Public Utilities/ Minister of Industrial Development at a function jointly organised by GIATMARA and the Lawas District Education office at Gelanggang Bola Keranjang Lawas. Mr. Awang @ Ibrahim bin Amat, Lawas District Education Officer received the mock cheques on behalf of the identified primary and secondary schools in both the Limbang and Lawas areas from Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Ali Hasan. Witnessing the event were the Chairman of MARA, Y Bhg. Tan Sri Datuk Seri Panglima Hj Annuar B. Hj Musa, Mr. Stephen Hii, STA Council member and Mr. Paul Lau Ngie Hung Assistant General Manager Resource Development STIDC.

This collaborative project between STIDC and STA Mutual Sdn Bhd (STAM), a subsidiary company of Sarawak Timber Association (STA), aims to provide a conducive environment for learning or teaching in schools through improving facilities in the selected schools.



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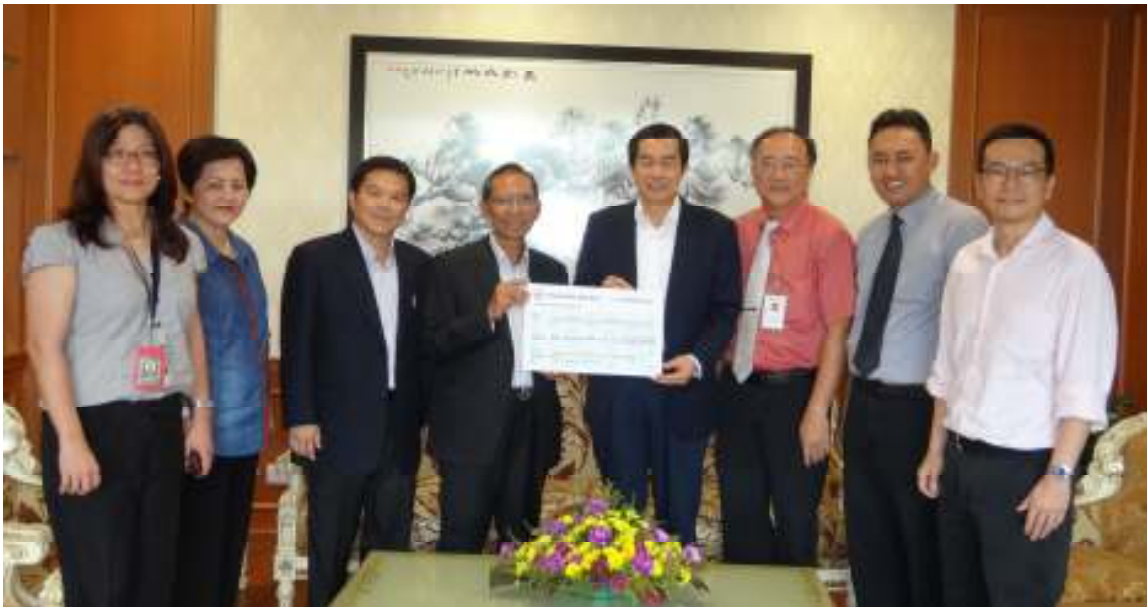
Mr. Awang @ Ibrahim bin Amat, Lawas District Education Officer receiving the mock cheque on behalf of the identified primary and secondary schools in the Limbang area from Yang Berhormat Datuk Amar Haji Awang Tengah Ali Hasan. Witnessing the event are Y Bhg. Tan Sri Datuk Seri Panglima Hj Annuar B. Hj Musa 4th from left), Mr. Stephen Hii (6th from left) and Mr. Paul Lau Ngie Hung (4th from right).

In the same ceremony, the MARA Education Foundation also provided school bags, stationeries and uniforms to students from selected schools in the Lawas area.

This collaborative project to improve the teaching environment of schools in Sarawak, carried out in phases, started in the year 2012 with an initial annual financial contribution of RM100,000 but was increased to RM200,000 from the year 2013 onwards. STAM has so far contributed a total of RM700,000 to STIDC. STIDC in turn will liaise with the relevant District Education Office to identify eligible primary and secondary schools in each district.

Under phase one, 98 primary and 11 secondary schools in the Mukah, Dalat, Matu and Dato areas had received financial assistances on 26 April 2013. In phase two, 59 primary and 11 secondary schools in the Bintulu, Tatau, Sebauh and Belaga areas received their financial assistances on 26 August 2014. In phase three, 139 identified primary and 28 secondary schools located in the Miri, Subis and Baram areas received the financial assistances on 23 February 2016 and for phase four 61 primary and 9 secondary schools in Lawas and Limbang Districts on 25 April 2016.

Mr Choo Kwong Hui, Honorary Treasurer of STA and Company Secretary of STAM had earlier presented a mock cheque of RM200,000 to Datu Haji Sarudu bin Haji Hoklai, General Manager of STIDC in a simple ceremony at Wisma Sumber Alam for phase four of the project.



Picture Caption:

Mr Choo Kwong Hui (4th from right), presenting a mock cheque of RM200,000 to Datu Haji Sarudu bin Haji Hoklai (5th from right), for phase four of the project at Wisma Sumber Alam.

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