



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **It is time for STA Cash Awards again!**

Sarawak Timber Association (STA) is a trade association formed on 7 August 1971 by three (3) timber associations in Sarawak. STA represents about 400 member companies dealing with the forest industry and timber trade, including forest plantations.

STA, through its subsidiary company, STA Mutual Sdn Bhd (STAM) with the objective to develop and improve the welfare of communities in Sarawak, irrespective of race, religion or creed continues its effort to provide Cash Awards to outstanding SPM and STPM students who sat examination in year 2016 based on meritocracy. This project was started in year 2016, as part of STA's corporate social responsibility efforts in recognizing and encouraging students who excel. Last year, STAM awarded Cash Awards to 449 students in the SPM category and 168 students in the STPM category.

With the release of SPM and STPM results, STAM is calling for outstanding STPM and SPM students to apply for the Cash Awards. This year, STAM is anticipating students to apply for the Cash Awards. Applicants must be (1) a Sarawakian or of Sarawakian parentage, (2) obtained either a minimum of 8 As for SPM or 2 As for STPM, (3) sat for SPM and STPM examinations in year 2016 in schools located in Sarawak. Students who met the above requirements are encouraged to apply. Students must send the completed application form together with the certified true copies of certificate or result transcript supported by all the required documents to **STA Mutual Sdn Bhd, 11 Floor, Wisma STA, 26, Jalan Datuk Abang Abdul Rahim, 93450 Kuching, Sarawak on or before 17 April 2017**. The application form is available at the STA official website **[www.sta.org.my](http://www.sta.org.my)**. Only completed application forms will be considered. Decision by the STA Cash Awards Selection Panel is final. Should the number of applications received before the closing date exceeds the number of Cash Awards allocated, applications will be selected based on their results and time of the application received. The list of names of successful applicants will be published in the STA's website **[www.sta.org.my](http://www.sta.org.my)**, 3 months after the closing date. Successful applicants will receive Cash Awards either in the sum of RM550.00 for SPM or RM650.00 for STPM.

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