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THE VOLUNESIA EXPERIENCE WITH THE FOUNDATIONS



Thank you volunteers.

International Volunteer Day (for economic and social development) or better known as IVD is celebrated on the 5th of December every year. It is a day to celebrate volunteerism and offers a platform for volunteer-involving organisations and individual volunteers to promote volunteerism, encourage governments to support volunteer efforts and most importantly to recognise volunteers' contributions to the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals, locally or internationally.

IVD was adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on 12th December 1985. To-date, United Nations Volunteer Program has recorded the following estimates pertaining to volunteer work force :-

- 109.0m of full time workers
- 30% of volunteering takes place formally through organisations, associations and groups
- 70% occurs through informal engagements
- 60% of the informal volunteers are female

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Community engagement programme.

As for the foundations, in the last five years, there is an increasing trend, both in the number of programs organised and in the number of volunteers participating each year.

Year	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Programme	13	16	22	31	32	114
Volunteers	133	128	241	458	464	1424

Interesting facts to note :-

Location	Foreigners	Local
Orang Utan Island, Bukit Merah	90%	10%
Belum-Temengor Rainforest Complex	6%	94%

Gender	Percentage
Male	44.4%
Female	55.6%

This edition of the newsletter is filled with news on volunteering activities that have been carried out by various organisations in collaboration with the foundations, throughout the second half of 2019. We shall focus on the four of the events coordinated by the foundations, namely, 'The Global Volunteering Programme with UITM', 'West Region Scouts' Edu-Volunteering Programme', 'Mercedes Benz Malaysia's EPIC CSR Activity' and 'Community Outreach Programme' with USM.



1 PBF officer Zulfadhlan Khushairi briefing the participants at Sg Rouk.

The Global Volunteering Programme with UITM

With the theme, Global Volunteering Program: Emergent Prospect of Cognitive Development Among Orang Asli at Belum Temengor in Early Childhood Education and Orangutan Rehabilitation: Conserving Their Home and Our Home, the Office of International Affairs, Universiti Teknologi Mara (UITM) together with Yayasan EMKAY and Pulau Banding Foundation has had various discussions on the programme since February 2019.

The event which took place at Pulau Banding and Orang Utan Island, both located in Perak from the 4th to the 10th of July 2019, witnessed the involvement of 44 students from the USA, UK, China and Malaysia. The students/volunteers from the Southern Connecticut State University (SCSU), USA, Liverpool John Moores University (LJMU), UK, Shanghai Normal University (SHNU), China and Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) gathered at UiTM on the first day of the programme to be given detailed briefing on what to expect and the do's and the don't while on the programme.

The group was briefed by Puan Hjh Zainon Kasim, CEO of Yayasan EMKAY on the uniqueness of the Belum-Temengor area, and the focus of the foundations' programmes in the area. They were blown away by the photos of the area that they will be visiting and were excited to learn about the 'works' they are tasked to perform. Upon arrival at the Belum Rainforest Resort, the participants were again reminded of their respective tasks at the two orang Asli villages, Kampung Sungai Tiang, Royal Belum and Kampung Semelor, Temengor.

The trip to Kg Sg Tiang, Royal Belum was an adventurous one for the volunteers, as they were transported by boat for an hour and on foot for another 30 minutes to reach the school in the village. During the visit to the Kg Sg Tiang Primary school, the volunteers carried out talks on nutrients and good eating, organised "Fun with English" activities and reading and singing lessons with the school children. A friendly football match was also organised, after the students introduced the foreigners to durians and other local fruits.



The journey to Sg Rouk.



The participants enjoying the cool waters and the beautiful surrounding at Sg Rouk.



Community Engagement Program at SK Sg Tiang.



Educational programme at OUI.



Group photo with the local children.



Gotong royong at OUI.

In Kampung Semelor, Temengor, the volunteers visited the *i-play* Toy Library and had an English singing session with the children. The volunteers then proceed to work together to complete a therapy garden project and carry out landscaping activities with the guidance of Mohamed Khairul Hamzah the Arborist of Belum Rainforest Resort.

"Coming to Malaysia I had a pretty good idea of what I wanted to do career wise. However this has been flipped on its head. I'm still absolutely mad about animals, but now I'm mad about rainforests too. Leaving Malaysia was definitely mixed emotions, excitement to see my family but with a dark cloud hanging over me knowing I wouldn't be waking up everyday excited to explore and see my new friends faces everyday, I guess I now feel a bit homesick for Malaysia so I know I'll be back someday!"

– Zoe Michelle Townsend, Liverpool John Moores University.

Apart from volunteering to complete the tasks assigned, whilst in Pulau Banding, the volunteers took the opportunity to explore the 130 million years old rainforest by participating in a night walk exploration. It was a thrilling adventure as they were able to see some of the night creatures while being told forest stories by Fakhruzai, the Recreation Guide. Some of the creatures that the group were fortunate to see were the Malayan Pit Viper (snake), the luminous frog, giant ants, scorpion and spiders. They also learnt about some wild herb such as the wild ginger, "Tongkat Ali" and "Kacip Fatimah".

They enjoyed the activities that were arranged for them in the rainforest during their four day stay in Pulau Banding.



Tree planting briefing by the resort's arborist, Khairul Hamzah.

"... the excursion was exciting and eye opening, to see such a unique environment where tribal existence can co-exist with modern relationships. Children can still grow up in a traditional tribe while also receiving a somewhat modern education allows for development of a very diverse and dynamic person. I am curious how these students we met today will have an impact on their own village as well as how their dual experiences will transform their ideas about nature and modern life."

– Ian Bergemann, Southern Connecticut State University.

The learning process and the volunteering works continue at the Orang Utan Island, Bukit Merah for the next three days. Besides completing their tasks; preparing food for the orangutans, cleaning of the cage and the surrounding area as well as painting, they were also briefed in detail on the research and conservation effort undertaken by the Bukit Merah Orang Utan Island Foundation.



Edu-Volunteerism Program at Kampung Semelor, Gerik, Perak, Malaysia | 15 - 24 July 2019
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West Region Scouts', Scotland, Edu-Volunteerism Programme

'Be prepared!' - the Scouts' motto. The aborigine community of Kg Semelor, a secluded area in Temengor, is all that when they welcomed a group of fifty six Scouts members, all the way from Scotland. The group, consisting of teenagers and their Scouts' leaders were on a mission to offer assistance in constructing some facilities for the villagers' use. It was part of the West Region's 'Skills for Life' Programme which aimed to equipping their young members with skills that they will someday need.

The team arrived in Malaysia on the July 14, 2019. Led by their leader, Mr John Kitson, the team spent nine days working in the scorching heat to build an adventure play park for the children. The young Scouts also constructed a table especially for the local Headsman, for purposes of displaying his traditional handicraft products. The community hall in the village was also cleaned and coated with fresh paint, with alphabets painted on the walls complete with a fantastic Jungle Book mural.

Various fruit trees including durian, mango, cempedak and pulasan were planted on a waste plot that was cleared, giving way to a new agricultural land. Ladies' fingers and red spinach seeds were also planted in parts of the vegetable plot. All in all, the team did a good job.

The villagers went all out to entertain their guests on the last day, as a show of appreciation by performing the 'sewang dance'. The Toy Library children also performed a traditional dance, dressed in their colourful traditional costumes. It was a treat for the locals to see men in skirt (kilts) during the closing ceremony function hosted by the Headsman, Tok Samad Jeranggong.

As the saying goes, "all work and no play make Jack a dull boy". After all the hard work put in, the group were treated to a much needed



(Left) Testing, testing, one, two, swing! A scouts member testing the swing before public use.



(Right) Work in progress at the childrens' adventure playpark.

rest and recreation. The Scouts members were taken on a boat ride to the Sungai Rouk waterfall to have a good dip and a picnic. The splash in the river and the scenic beauty offered by the 130 million years old rainforest made a good relaxing day.

The incredible journey ended with lots of new friendships, with some of the members vowing to come back in the future. They left behind their memories through the things they built and the generous gifts of books, clothing, stationeries, make-up kits and other knick-knacks that were donated to the villagers.

Yayasan EMKAY would like to thank the Scouts team and extend our gratitude to JAKOA for their support and the sponsorship of transportation for the Scouts members to and from the Semelor village throughout their stay at Pulau Banding.



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Mercedes Benz Malaysia's EPIC CSR Activity

"Unfulfilled", - the perfect word to describe the feelings of the volunteers of the first Mercedes-Benz Malaysia (MBM) EPIC CRS programme in Belum-Temengor, back in December 2018.

Therefore, in July 2019, they return to Belum-Temengor to continue with their CSR initiative in the Belum-Temengor Rainforest area. EPIC MBM volunteers expanded their CSR activities to Sekolah Kebangsaan Sungai Tiang, Royal Belum this time around. In 2018, the team organised the same programme at SK RPS Banun, in Temengor. The aim is to create a conducive recreation and play space for the students of the school.

Initial discussions of the 'EPIC CSR Royal Belum 2.0' programme begun in February 2019 and from then on, detailed planning for the setting up of the "Teratak Ilmu Ta'pong" at SK Sungai Tiang school library has been carried out until its implementation in July, 2019. The *Teratak Ilmu Ta'pong* is named after the late Headsmen in Kg Sungai Tiang; who was absolutely respected and was a person who put importance on the education of the children of the indigeneous peoples.

The low water levels of the Temengor Lake posed a challenge to the volunteers as they had to resort to carrying the equipment, buckets of paints and furniture for about one kilometre from the riverbank when the boats were not able to go any further without getting stuck in the mud.

Within six (6) hours, the volunteers, together with the Yayasan EMKAY team managed to transform the gloomy looking resource centre into a cheerful and conducive environment for the students. The sea blue paint coupled with new furniture and special areas allocated to board games and music further enhanced the calm and cosy atmosphere of "Teratak Ilmu Ta'pong".

The completed Teratak Ilmu Tapong.



The Mercedes-Benz Malaysia and YE volunteers.

The MBM volunteering works did not stop just at Kampung Sungai Tiang, Belum. They went on to complete the painting works of the higher part of the community hall at Kampung Semelor, Temengor which was not able to be completed by the Scouts, earlier in the month.

In Kampung Semelor, MBM team also welcomed villagers with a special menu of *Nasi Hujan Panas* (Rainbow Ghee Rice) prepared by another team of YE volunteers. Village headsmen, Samad Jeranggong took this opportunity to treat the volunteers with a sumptuous feast of durians from the trees in Kampung Semelor.

A hearty congratulations to Mercedes Benz Malaysia and volunteers from Yayasan EMKAY for a great team work!



Spring cleaning activities at the Toy Library.

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Community Engagement Programme by School of Distance Learning, University Sains Malaysia

A group of thirty volunteers comprising of faculty members and students of the School of Distance Learning, USM took part in a community engagement programme in Kg Desa Damai. The group was divided into three teams, to carry out works identified by the YE team, ie. spring cleaning of the Toy Library, cleaning of the surau and painting of the workshop.

As it was normally done, each year end, the toy libraries will undergo a spring cleaning process, where the toys and furniture are scrubbed clean and disinfected. The broken toys are sent for repair or replaced, and the reading materials, workbooks and stationeries be replenished. The walls are also cleaned from dirt and grime and rid of cob webs and dust. This is in preparation for the new school term to begin.

The team tasked with cleaning of the surau, dusted, swept and mopped the floors, walls and window panes. The mats and cloth used for praying are washed and put under the sun to air and dry. The books, kitabs and Quran were rearranged to make a new systematic stack of reading materials.

Upon completion of their tasks, these two teams went to assist the third group, who is responsible to coat a new paint and draw an innovative mural on the walls of the Skills Workshop. The team was tasked to paint according to a concept requested by the trainers of the programme conducted in the building. Works however stopped due to heavy rain around midday. The team tried to complete the work after lunch, but due to time constraint they had to leave the village as they needed to leave the village before dark. Upon the departure of the team, the local youths came in to complete the painting of the mural till late in the evening.



Cleaning of the surau.



Mural painting activities at the Skills Workshop.

We at the foundations would like to record our sincere appreciation to all our friends and volunteers who came forward to participate in our programmes meant to benefit the aborigines peoples of Belum-Temengor. We look forward to your involvement and contribution in the years to come. "Together, we care!"

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THE FOUNDATIONS IN THE MEDIA

Obtaining media coverage is a bonus to the foundations in its' effort to create awareness and generating interests of the 'causes' championed by the respective organisation. One's event/programme needs to be 'news-worthy', impactful or beneficial to the public. We are honoured that our media partners have found our events and programmes to be of importance to the public and are opportune to be featured in both print and electronic media.

The foundations have been featured in the media mainly for their volunteerism programmes in collaboration with corporate bodies locally as well internationally, and also for the research and education related programmes conducted with institute of higher learning, local or otherwise, other NGOs/ research institutions and/or government agencies.

A big thank you to all the media members who have attended and covered our events and programmes!
The three foundations have been featured in:

Agency	Slot	Topic of Discussion	Column	Publication (Date)
BH	Berita Pendidikan	Yayasan EMKAY Serah Biasiswa RM1.037 juta (YE-UiTM Collaborative Scholarship Programme)	Online	2 April 2019
NST	News-Nation	Village Adoption Programme in Orang Asli settlements a big help to the community (Community Development Programme in Belum Temengor Rainforest Area)	Online	15 April 2019
NST	Viewpoint – Pahit Manis	Education, the way to Orang Asli Heart (Community Development Programme in Belum Temengor Rainforest Area)	Full page	16 June 2019
NST	Viewpoint – Pahit Manis	Tok Batin : 'Jangan Bikin Kotor Kampung Saya!' (Community Development Programme in Belum Temengor Rainforest Area)	Full page	23 June 2019
Berita Harian	Varsiti – Jelajah Siswa	Pulihara Alam Sekitar di Pulau Banding, Pulau Orang Utan (Better Futures : Global Volunteering Programme – Collaboration with UiTM)	3/4 page	1 August 2019
Paisley Daily Express	Scouts	From Paisley to Malaysia : Hardy Scouts Improve Life for Rainforest Villagers – Youngsters go on 'incredible' journey. (West Region Scouts Edu-Volunteerism Programme at Kampung Semelor, Temengor, Gerik, Perak)	3/4 page	12 August 2019
Bernamea	Bernamea.Com	Yayasan Pulau Orang Utan Minta Bantuan Dana Daripada Kerajaan (Signing of MoU with Seoul Grand Park)	Online	10 November 2019
Harian Metro	Negeri	YPOUBM Perlu Dana Naik Taraf Fasiliti (Signing of MoU with Seoul Grand Park)	1/8 page	11 November 2019
RTM	Selamat Pagi Malaysia	Penyelidikan Pasca Siswazah Dalam Memelihara Kelestarian Alam Sekitar dan Kesejahteraan Masyarakat (YE-UiTM Collaborative Scholarship Programme)	10 mins	13 May 2019, 9:40 am
TV3	Buletin Pagi	Kementerian Sumber Manusia – Laksana Sistem Sijil Kemahiran untuk Orang Asli (Working visit of YB Dato' Mahfuz Omar, Deputy Minister of Human Resources to Kampung Sungai Tiang, Royal Belum, Gerik, Perak)	2 mins	7 July 2019, 8:30 am
RTM	Panorama	Tuah Semelor (West Region Scouts Edu-Volunteerism Programme at Kampung Semelor, Temengor, Gerik, Perak)	10 mins	7 October 2019, 10:00 pm
RTM	Panorama	Suka Semelor (Volunteerism works at Orang Asli village in Temengor)	10 mins	2 December 2019, 10:00 pm
Perak Today	Perak Hari Ini	Seru Kerajaan Ambil Alih Bantu Kos Penyelidikan Orang Utan (Signing of MoU with Seoul Grand Park)	Online	11 November 2019
Sinar Harian	Edisi Perak	Tiba Masa Kerajaan Bantu Biayai Penyelidikan Orang Utan (Signing of MoU with Seoul Grand Park)	Online	27 November 2019



ORANG ASLI KIDS' CAMP 2019

4 August 2019 - It is an annual event for Yayasan EMKAY to conduct education development programmes for the the Belum-Temengor Orang Asli children. These activities are conducted either through the respective schools or through the i-play Toy Libraries. To add to the excitement of this year's programme, a Bahasa Malaysia and Mathematics Camp encompassing a trip to Kuala Lumpur had been organised. The programme was held from the 2nd to 4th August, which is the foundation's way of rewarding twenty eight SK RPS Banun students and four i-play Toy Library alumni for their academic achievements throughout the year.

The camp was conducted at two main venues; the Premiera Hotel where the students also resided throughout the duration of the camp, under the guidance of Puan Hajah Nornisa Sahid, Coordinator of Yayasan EMKAY's Education Development of Belum-Temengor Programmes and Wisma Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka (WDBP). The programme at WDBS is a collaboration programme with the *Bahagian Pengembangan Bahasa Kebangsaan Pelbagai Kaum of Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka (DBP)*.

The sessions conducted throughout the programme was a way to attract the attention of the students towards the Bahasa Malaysia and Mathematics subject using the 'learning through play' approach while revising the topics previously learnt at school.

At WDBP, the students were excited with the games arranged by the officers' in-charge. Among the games that took place were 'Dam Ajai' (Giant snake and ladder) and a puppet show. Amidst all these, famous patriotic songs were also sung in between the games.

In conjunction with 2019's Belum-Temengor education theme 'Eco-education' at all the i-play Toy Libraries, the students visited the Aquaria KLCC and the KL Bird Park where they got to see for themselves the various types of aquatic animals and birds.

With August being the National Day month, the students were also treated to a visit to the National Monument and Merdeka Square to teach them about the meaning and importance of patriotism. Before leaving for home, they were taken to see Malaysia's first tiles mural named 'Cara Hidup di Malaya dan Bahasa Kebangsaan' (The way of life in Malaya and the National Language) which was completed in 1961. They learnt that after fifty three years, the restoration works of this mural which began in May 2014 was completed in December 2016. The students were able to take many memorable photos with this historical mural as the background.

"We are thankful to be able to participate in this camp and being able to see for ourselves the KLCC as well as visit various interesting places, especially being able to see two divers feeding the fishes in front of us at Aquaria."

- Ropinah binti Baracut

Yayasan EMKAY would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all the agencies involved in making this camp a successful one, especially, Dr. Juli Edo, Director General, Department of Orang Asli Development (JAKOA) who was able to spend some time motivating the students to continually do their best academically. He also reminded them not to give up and to focus on being successful by giving importance to education. He left the students with these words of wisdom "The journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step".



The facilitators assisting the participants in the vocabulary enrichment activity using vowels.

Fasilitator membantu para peserta menjalankan aktiviti pemerksaan nahu dengan penggunaan huruf-huruf vokal.



Thank you Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka for a memorable time. Picture of the students participating in the giant snake and ladder game and puppet show.

Jutaan terima kasih diucapkan kepada pihak Dewan Bahasa Pustaka yang mengendalikan beberapa aktiviti seperti Permainan Dam Ajai dan Persembahan Boneka.



A group activity where the participants are required to solve three mathematics problems.

Aktiviti kerja berpasukan di mana para peserta ditugaskan untuk menyelesaikan tiga (3) tugas matematik.



One of the teachers En. Hisyam, guiding the students to complete their travel log of the camp.

Cikgu Hisyam, sedang membantu para pelajar menyiapkan catatan perjalanan sepanjang kem.



Their great adventure at Aquaria KLCC. They were taken on a tour and briefed by Kak Ekin, the Guide.

Pengembaraan di Aquaria KLCC. Mereka menyertai lawatan berpanduan dan diberi penerangan oleh Pemandu Pelancong, yang mesra dengan panggilan Kak Ekin.



The visit to Merdeka Square and The National Monument. Sekitar sesi lawatan ke Dataran Merdeka dan Tugu Negara.

PROGRAM PEMBANGUNAN PENDIDIKAN BELUM-TEMENGOR 2019

Yayasan EMKAY seperti tahun-tahun sebelumnya menjalankan pelbagai Program Pembangunan Pendidikan di Kawasan Belum Temengor sama ada di peringkat sekolah atau melalui program di Perpustakaan Permainan 'i-play' (PPip). Sebagai program tambahan bagi tahun 2019 serta atas tiket imbuhan kepada 28 pelajar SK RPS Banun serta 4 Alumni PPip yang menunjukkan peningkatan prestasi yang menggalakkan, Yayasan EMKAY telah menganjurkan Kem Bahasa Melayu dan Matematik serta Lawatan Sambil Belajar ke Kuala Lumpur pada 2 hingga 4 Ogos 2019.

Sesi Kem Bahasa Melayu dan Matematik telah dijalankan di dua lokasi berbeza iaitu di Hotel Premiera Kuala Lumpur di bawah kendalian Puan Hj Nornisa Sahid, Penyelaras Program Pendidikan Yayasan EMKAY di Belum-Temengor. Lokasi kedua adalah di Wisma Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka, Kuala Lumpur yang melibatkan kerjasama Bahagian Pengembangan Bahasa Kelembagaan Kaum Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka (DBP).

Sesi-sesi yang dijalankan sebenarnya adalah merupakan sesi ulangkaji yang bertujuan untuk menarik minat para pelajar terhadap mata pelajaran tersebut dengan menggunakan pendekatan 'belajar melalui bermain'. Di DBP pula, para peserta amat teruja beraktiviti dengan para pegawai bertugas melalui permainan 'Dam Ajaib' dan terhibur dengan Persembahan Boneka, ditambah pula dengan selingan lagu-lagu rakyat yang sememangnya malar segar di ingatan mereka.

Bertepatan dengan tema Pendidikan Eko atau 'Eco-education' di kesemua PPip di kawasan Belum-Temengor pada tahun ini, para pelajar dibawa ke Aquaria KLCC dan KL Bird Park serta ke beberapa tempat bersejarah seperti Dataran Merdeka dan Tugu Negara bagi menyemai semangat patriotisme dan bersesuaian dengan sambutan hari kemerdekaan ke-62 pada tahun ini.

Sebelum berangkat pulang, para peserta dibawa menyaksikan mural jubin pertama di Malaysia yang disiapkan pada tahun 1961, bertajuk 'Cara Hidup di Malaya dan Bahasa Kebangsaan'. Mereka juga belajar bahawa selepas 53 tahun, kerja-kerja pemuliharaan mural ini telah dilaksanakan mulai Mei 2014 dan siap sepenuhnya pada Disember 2016. Di hari tersebut, para pelajar sempat merakam gambar kenangan berlatarbelakangkan mural bersejarah ini.

"Kami bersyukur sangat dapat mengikuti kem ini kerana dapat melihat KLCC serta melawat pelbagai tempat menarik termasuk melihat 2 penyelam Aquaria memberi ikan-ikan makan di hadapan mata kami sendiri."

- Ropinah Binti Beracut, peserta kem.

Yayasan EMKAY mengucapkan terima kasih kepada semua agensi yang terlibat dalam penganjuran program ini terutamanya, YBr. Dr. Juli Edo, Ketua Pengarah Jabatan Kemajuan Orang Asli (JAKOA) yang sempat meluangkan masa dan memberi kata-kata semangat buat para pelajar untuk terus berusaha dan belajar. Beliau turut mengungkap mutiara kata, 'Perjalanan beribu batu itu bermula dengan langkah pertama' serta menasihatkan semua agar jangan berpatah balik, letakkan sasaran untuk berjaya dan mengutamakan pendidikan bagi memastikan kemenjadian para pelajar dari Belum-Temengor ini.



The Desa Damai Toy Library children with their art work at the Shah Alam Gallery.
Anak-anak Perpustakaan Permainan 'i-play' Desa Damai bergambar bersama hasil visual mereka di Galeri Shah Alam.

ABORIGINE CHILDREN'S ARTWORK DISPLAYED AT SHAH ALAM GALLERY

7-25 October 2019 – The Creative Art Studio in collaboration with Yayasan EMKAY once again hosted this year's Children's Visual Art Exhibition with the theme 'Bicara Tuan Muda' (Voices of the youth). The creative arts by the children of the i-play Toy Library of Kampung Desa Damai, Temengor were highlighted and displayed at the Shah Alam Gallery. The event also displayed the paintings of children from other Arts and Creative Kindergarten and other kindergarten or organisations from around Klang Valley.

Yayasan EMKAY's involvement in the Children's Visual Art Exhibition began in 2018. This first involvement has seen the creative arts of the aboriginal children of the Jahai tribe from Kampung Sungai Kejar, Royal Belum being hand picked and displayed during the exhibition. The event has succeeded in highlighting the creative works of the Jahai tribe who have been left behind in formal education.

Seeing the children's interest toward arts and crafts, this year, children of the Temiar tribe from Kampung Desa Damai, Temengor were chosen and taught on the basic concepts of drawing, colouring and sketching to the point that they were able to draw on canvas and subsequently produce 19 creative works to be presented at this year's exhibition.

Ten children from the i-play Toy Library of Kampung Desa Damai, were bussed in to the Shah Alam Gallery to attend the opening ceremony of the 2019 Children's Visual Arts Exhibition. The event was officiated by Dr Hartini Zainudin, Co-Founder of the Chow Kit Foundation on 12 October 2019. It opened up new opportunities for the participants to be acquainted with each other, and to view and evaluate their paintings which were exhibited professionally at the gallery. The Toy Library students took advantage at this event to enhance their knowledge and experience in creative arts and to learn from the more experienced artists.

It is our hope that the Jahai and Temiar children from Belum-Temengor will continue to succeed in whatever field which interest them or would want to venture into. Yayasan EMKAY shall continue to provide opportunities and encouragement and introduce new approaches in line with our efforts to alleviate the education and skill standards of this community.

The "Art-2-Heart" visuals of the Temiar and Jahai children are open for sale with prices starting at RM199.90. All proceeds shall be channelled to the Belum-Temengor Indigenous Community Development Programme run by Yayasan EMKAY. For further inquiries on the sales of the visual, please get in touch with Yayasan EMKAY's officers at 03-7710 7066 or email to yayanemkay@gmail.com.



PAMERAN SENI VISUAL KANAK-KANAK 2019

7-25 Oktober 2019 - Studio Seni Kreatif dengan kerjasama Yayasan EMKAY sekali lagi menganjurkan Pameran Seni Visual Kanak-Kanak pada tahun ini. Melalui pameran yang bertemakan 'Bicara Tuan Muda', ini, hasil kreativiti anak-anak Perpustakaan Permainan 'i-play' (PPip) Desa Damai, Temengor telah mampu diketengahkan dan dipamerkan di Galeri Shah Alam. Acara ini turut mempamerkan hasil lukisan kanak-kanak dari Tadika Seni & Kreatif dari beberapa buah Tadika/Organisasi dari sekitar Lembah Klang.

Penglibatan Yayasan EMKAY dalam Pameran Seni Visual Kanak-Kanak telah bermula pada tahun 2018. Dalam pembabitan ulung ini, pameran ini telah melihatkan penglibatan kanak-kanak Orang Asli Jahai dari Kampung Sungai Kejar, Hutan Diraja Belum. Mereka telah berjaya menonjolkan karya kreatif suku kaum Jahai yang sememangnya ketinggalan dari segi pendidikan formal.

Melihatkan pada minat kanak-kanak Orang Asli terhadap bidang seni dan kraf, pada tahun ini, kanak-kanak Orang Asli Temiar dari Kampung Desa Damai, Temengor pula telah dipilih dan diberi pendedahan serupa. Bermula dari konsep asas melukis, mewarna serta melakar sehingga boleh melukis di kanvas dan seterusnya menghasilkan 19 karya kreatif untuk dikongsikan di pameran tahun ini.

Sepuluh orang anak-anak dari PPip Desa Damai telah dibawa ke Galeri Shah Alam untuk menyaksikan Majlis Perasmian Pameran Seni Visual Kanak-Kanak 2019. Program yang telah disempurnakan oleh Dr. Hartini Zainudin, Pengasas Bersama Yayasan Chow Kit pada 12 Oktober 2019 telah memberi peluang kepada para peserta untuk berkenalan di antara satu sama lain, dan saling melihat dan menilai hasil lukisan masing-masing yang dipamerkan secara profesional di galeri ini. Di kesempatan tersebut, anak-anak PPip ini turut berkesempatan untuk menambah ilmu dan pengalaman dalam dunia seni kreatif serta mendengar pendapat dan pandangan mereka yang lebih lama berkecimpung di dalam bidang kesenian ini.

Harapan kami agar kanak-kanak Jahai dan Temiar dari Kawasan Belum-Temengor ini akan terus berjaya dalam apa jua bidang yang mereka minati atau ingin ceburi. Yayasan EMKAY akan terus memberi peluang dan galakan serta memperkenalkan pelbagai pendekatan baharu seiring dengan usaha kami untuk meningkatkan taraf pendidikan dan kemahiran masyarakat ini.

Hasil visual kanak-kanak Jahai dan Temiar yang diberi nama "Art-2-Heart" ini kini dibuka untuk jualan dengan harga dari RM199.90 setiap satu. Hasil jualan secara keseluruhannya akan disalurkan ke Program Pembangunan Masyarakat Orang Asli Belum Temengor yang dikelolakan oleh Yayasan EMKAY. Untuk pertanyaan lanjut berkaitan jualan hasil visual, sila hubungi pegawai Yayasan EMKAY di talian 03-7710 7066 atau melalui emel yayanemkay@gmail.com.



Puan Hj Zainon Kasim, Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Yayasan EMKAY (kiri) serta Encik Rahmat Ismail. Ahli Lembaga Pemegang Amanah Yayasan EMKAY mengiringi YB Dato' Mahfuz Omar, Timbalan Menteri Kementerian Sumber Manusia (tengah) ke Bengkel Latihan Kemahiran Kampung Sungai Tiang.



YB Timbalan Menteri menyempurnakan Majlis Pelancaran Bengkel Latihan Kemahiran Kampung Sungai Tiang pada 5 Julai 2019, disaksikan oleh Ketua Pengarah JAKOA Dr Juli Edo dan Ketua Kampung, Kg Sungai Tiang.



Sebahagian pelatih wanita yang memperlihatkan minat mendalam dalam Program Pembangunan Kemahiran Masyarakat Orang Asli di Perkampungan Orang Asli Kampung Sungai Tiang.



YB Dato' Mahfuz Omar turut meluangkan masa beramah mesra dengan penduduk kampung dan bermain bola sepak bersama para pelajar di Kg Sungai Tiang.

KE ARAH PELAKSANAAN PENTAULIAHAN KEMAHIRAN UNTUK MASYARAKAT ORANG ASLI

Peribahasa 'kalau tidak dipecahkan ruyung, manakan dapat sagunya' adalah ungkapan yang tepat atas usaha Jabatan Tenaga Kerja Negeri Perak (JTK) dan Yayasan EMKAY sejak tujuh (7) tahun lalu dalam memperkenalkan program latihan kemahiran (jahitan) khusus untuk wanita Orang Asli di Kawasan Belum-Temengor. Hasil daripada program tersebut, kini sekumpulan wanita dari Kampung Semelor, telah mampu menjana pendapatan untuk keluarga, hasil dari jualan produk jahitan, mahupun tempahan jahitan yang diterima.

Jika pada 2012 yang lalu, sekumpulan wanita Orang Asli dari Kampung Semelor, Temengor mula menjinakkan diri dalam dunia jahitan di bawah pokok rambutan, di Kampung Sungai Tiang, Belum pula, sekumpulan wanita telah mula berlatih di rumah salah seorang penduduk kampung sejak tahun 2016. Berkat iltizam mereka serta disokong kuat oleh Penghulu Kampung masing-masing, ditambah pula dengan kerjasama pelbagai pihak seperti JTK dan JAKOA, golongan wanita ini kini meneruskan program jahitan mereka di dalam bangunan yang lebih kondusif yang dibangunkan oleh Yayasan EMKAY.

Yayasan EMKAY dengan sinergi tersebut terus mempergiat program-program yang menjurus kepada pengupayaan masyarakat Orang Asli Belum-Temengor. Yakin dengan sokongan penuh daripada agensi-agensi berkaitan, kumpulan

wanita ini terus berlatih dan berkarya sehingga kini layak untuk mendapat pengiktirafan (pensijilan) di atas pencapaian di dalam melalui program ini.

Seiring dengan usaha tersebut, Yayasan EMKAY telah menerima kunjungan lawatan kerja oleh YB Dato' Mahfuz Omar, Timbalan Menteri Kementerian Sumber Manusia serta YBrs. Dr. Juli Edo, Ketua Pengarah JAKOA ke Kampung Sungai Tiang untuk melihat sendiri program pembangunan kemahiran ini pada 5 Julai 2019. YB Timbalan Menteri turut melawat Perpustakaan Permainan 'i-play', serta menyempurnakan pelancaran Bengkel Latihan Kemahiran di Kampung Sungai Tiang.

YB Timbalan Menteri dalam ucapan ringkasnya turut menyatakan sokongan Kementerian beliau untuk melaksanakan sistem pentaauliahan Sijil Kemahiran Malaysia (SKM) yang boleh disesuaikan dengan penempatan dan budaya masyarakat Orang Asli. Sekali gus, para peserta boleh mengembangkan kemahiran mereka serta membuka peluang yang lebih luas melalui kemahiran yang dimiliki. Beliau turut menyatakan pengiktirafan pencapaian terdahulu juga adalah satu lagi kaedah pensijilan SKM yang boleh diadaptasi terhadap masyarakat Orang Asli.

Hadir sama pada program tersebut ialah Penghulu Kampung Sungai Tiang, para pegawai dari Kementerian Sumber Manusia (KSM), JAKOA Negeri Perak, Yayasan Kebajikan Negara Malaysia, wakil media serta sukarelawan Yayasan EMKAY.

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FOREST CONSERVATION AWARENESS BOOTH AT MAIN PLACE, SUBANG

On 13 and 14 of July 2019, Pulau Banding Foundation once again was invited by Vive Green Market to showcase its conservation activities and at the same time to further instil awareness of forest conservation to the public. Pulau Banding Foundation participated in the "Lepak in Green", Green Market event at the Main Place, USJ12 Subang. The event was hosted by Vive Green Market in collaboration with Main Place Management to showcase independent industry players in Malaysia and to promote the 'No Plastic' Campaign in Selangor. More than 25 vendors took part in the event which covers a wide range of industries including organic farms, local handicrafts, home cook cuisines and many more.

YB Lee Hoy San, Selangor Environment, Green Technology, Science, Technology and Innovation and Consumer Affairs Committee Chairman and also YB Puan Michelle Ng, Member of Selangor Legislative Assembly (DUN) constituency of Subang Jaya, visited PBF's booth during his tour of the Green Market.

With a very high number of visitors, Pulau Banding Foundation took the opportunity to showcase its activities including scientific expedition and camera traps footages via video presentation, held Q & A session with visitors and also a donation drive.



PBF officers on duty during the two-day event.



YB Lee Hoy San, Selangor Environment, Green Technology, Science, Technology and Innovation and Consumer Affairs Committee Chairman (middle) and YB Puan Michelle Ng, Member of Selangor Legislative Assembly (DUN) constituency of Subang Jaya (Right) with PBF officer Zulfadhlan Khushairi.



The booth attracted even lil ones.



Thank you for your donation, Sir!

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS BOOTH AT PUBLIKA, HARTAMAS

In conjunction with the Kuala Lumpur Eco Film Festival (KLEFF), Pulau Banding Foundation was invited as the 'My Forest Member' to showcase its conservation activities and promote the local Orang Asli handicrafts. The event, held at Publika, Hartamas from 9 till 13 October 2019 showcased more than 80 eco-related movies to an audience of more than 5,000.

Pulau Banding Foundation took the opportunity to share the research and conservation works undertaken in the Belum-Temengor Rainforest with the visitors. The handicraft items and merchandise produced by the Orang Asli community of Belum-Temengor was a hit among the visitors.

The KLEFF event was organised by Eco Knights with support from many companies and environmental organisations such as Malaysia Nature Society, BirdLife International, The Habitat Foundation, Yayasan Anak Warisan Alam, Kiehl's and Tanamera just to name a few.

KLEFF is also Malaysia's first and longest-serving platform in promoting sustainable living through showcases of environmentally-themed films and programmes. Since 2008, KLEFF has made it its mission to accelerate mainstreaming of sustainable living and stewardship of the environment through the power of audio visual materials and activities.



The students making their observations on the orangutans.

WORK VISITS

1. KYOTO UNIVERSITY

8 Aug 2019 - His experience working with Bukit Merah Pulau Orang Utan Island Foundation (BMOUIF) and his confidence in the conservation and preservation efforts undertaken on the island have motivated him to return to the Island again. This time around Prof. Tetsuro Matsuzawa, President of the Primate Research Institute, Kyoto University brought along a twenty-people delegation from the Primate Research Institute (PRI), Kyoto University, Japan.

This trip to the island is hoped to expose the delegates of the works that are being done on the island. Along with the delegates which consist of eighteen students are associate professor Dr Misato Hayashi and Dr Tomoko Kanamori.

*"This field trip in my opinion will be able to cement the ten-year working relationship between our two organisations.
I also hope that these students will take this opportunity to learn how the primates are cared for and how the research works about them are being conducted throughout this trip"*

- Prof. Tetsuro Matsuzawa

During the visit, the delegates were opportune to be able to record and observe the behaviours and characteristics of the orangutan. Dr D Sabapathy had also shared his experience on the management of the island. It was evident that the experience was greatly appreciated by all the delegates and they took this opportunity to ask Dr Sabapathy and the BMOUIF staff various questions regarding orangutans.

Before departing, Prof Tetsuro Matsuzawa, representing the PRI delegation, thanked Dr Sabapathy and hoped that this cooperation could continue in the future. He has also generously donated RM1,000.00 to the Foundation.



Visit to the new building which was re-built after the 2018 fire.



The delegates being briefed about the works that are being carried out at the island.



Profesor Tetsuro Matsuzawa viewing the images of the tragedy at the special exhibition wall.



Sesi perbincangan santai bersama wakil pengurusan Zoo Melaka.



Gambar berkumpul selepas lawatan oleh para pegawai dari Zoo Melaka.

2. ZOO MELAKA

11 Oktober 2019 - Pengarah Zoo Melaka bersama beberapa orang kakitangan telah mengadakan lawatan kerja ke Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah bagi tujuan untuk melihat dan berkongsi pengalaman tentang pengurusan, operasi, program dan kemudahan-kemudahan yang terdapat di pulau ini.

Semasa sesi perbincangan, dan setelah melihatkan operasi di pulau ini, pihak Zoo Melaka telah menyatakan hasrat untuk menjalinkan kerjasama dengan pihak Yayasan Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah di dalam bidang-bidang berkaitan orang utan. Pihak Zoo Melaka juga telah mencadangkan agar hasrat ini dimeterai melalui satu memorandum perjanjian persefahaman (MoU) di antara Majlis Perbandaran Hang Tuah Jaya (Melaka Zoo) dengan Yayasan Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah.

Turut dipersetujui semasa lawatan dan perbincangan adalah agar fokus MoU yang dicadangkan merangkumi pemuliharaan dan penjagaan orang utan serta topik-topik yang berkaitan pembiakan penjagaan veterineri, kepakaran, pemakanan dan nutrisi, penyelidikan dan juga program pendidikan berkaitan orang utan.

Sebelum MoU ini dimeterai, pihak YPOUBM juga telah dijemput untuk mengadakan lawatan rasmi ke Zoo Melaka untuk perbincangan lanjut dalam tempoh terdekat.



Cik Norfadzila explaining about the programmes organised by BMOUIF.



Cik Norfadzila having a light moment with one of the little visitors.

PERAK AGROFEST 2019

26 -29 September 2019 – The Orang Utan Island of Bukit Merah has been identified as one of the ten education and tourism icons in the State of Perak. Thereon, during the Perak Agrofest 2019, the Tourism Board of Perak has invited the foundation to a promotion and exhibition event held at RTC Perak, in Gopeng.

The four day event was an opportunity for BMOUIF to promote the educational and research programmes carried out on the island and to create awareness on issues related to the declining number of the orangutans. More than eight hundred visitors came to the exhibition area with questions pertaining to the programmes organised by the foundation and has shown keen interest to participate in the programmes.

The festival was officiated by the Chief Minister of Perak, YAB Datuk Seri Ahmad Faizal bin Dato' Azumu, who also unveiled the Perak state tourism ambassador- Michael Wong.



The delegates are taken on a site visit of the island.

BMOUI WELCOMES DELEGATES FROM SEOUL GRAND PARK ZOO

27 August 2019 - Bukit Merah Orang Utan Island (BMOUI) is often the preferred location for organisations from various countries looking for exchange of knowledge on primates and veterinary care. Recently, the delegation from Seoul Grand Park, Korea had visited the island in hopes of forming a formal collaboration on the orangutans. The delegation was led by Dr Bo-sook Kim, Seoul Zoo Management Division Director, Seoul Grand Park.

The Seoul Grand Park encompasses themed botanical gardens, campsites, a contemporary art museum, a theme park and a zoo, all in one. First opened in 1984, today, it holds 2,700 animals from 332 species from all over the world, and has 29 animal farms which sits on a 2,420 km² land.

During Dr Bo-sook's visit, the delegates toured the island and was briefed on the operations, conservation concepts, education and research programmes and veterinary services dedicated to the orangutans.

The programmes and conservation efforts undertaken by BMOUI had clearly captured the hearts of the delegates. They were truly impressed and Dr Bo-sook Kim herself had expressed her desire for the Seoul Grand Park Zoo to form a joint venture with BMOUI in the near future to protect this special species.



Dr Sabapathy briefing Dr. Bo-sook Kim and the team.

ORANG UTAN ISLAND FURTHER CEMENTS MALAYSIA AS THE SCIENTIFIC REFERRAL CENTRE

10 November 2019 – Since their first visit to the island on 27 August 2019, the team from the Seoul Grand Park Zoo of Korea, (SGPZ) has initiated a collaboration with BMOUIF to explore and establish a mutually beneficial platform, with exchange of expertise and scientific personnel, in the spheres of veterinary medicine and wildlife conservation.

A little over two months later, they came back with a Memorandum of Understanding to be signed with BMOUIF. On 10 November 2019, the MOU for facilitating of research works, education and veterinary care of the orangutans was signed on the island.

In the opening address by Prof. Emeritus Dato' Dr Abdul Latiff Mohammad, Chairman of Bukit Merah Orang Utan Island Foundation (BMOUIF), which was delivered by fellow Board Member Prof. Dr. Badrul Munir Md Zin, he said, "Since its inception in 2000, Orang Utan Island has progressed from being a sanctuary, where visitors experienced first-hand awareness and education on the orangutan, to a globally recognised ex-situ conservation facility and referral centre for the endangered Bornean orangutan".

"On behalf of Seoul Grand Park and Seoul Grand Park Zoo, I am truly delighted that we have inked a collaboration with Bukit Merah Orang Utan Island Foundation, which is renowned around the world as playing a critical role in building conservation capacity in aspects of primatology such as primate behaviour and ecology, captive care and veterinary medicine, and, conservation biology", stated Chun-hun Song, the Director-General of Seoul Grand Park.

BMOUIF's Founder, YBhg Tan Sri Datuk Hj Mustapha Kamal bin Hj Abu Bakar continued, "In the 18 years of its operation, Orang Utan Island has achieved success and on demand for its activities and programmes, attracting interest from, among others, universities from within Malaysia and around the world, for joint-cooperation across fields in the wider scope of conservation biology".

Among guests from South Korea in attendance were Dr Bo-sook Kim (Director of Zoo Management Division, Seoul Grand Park), Dr Yong-gu Yeo (Director of Conservation Research Division, Seoul Grand Park) and Dr Woo-jin Song (Curator of Population Management, Seoul Grand Park).

Also present to grace the occasion were the BMOUIF Board of Trustees, officials from the Wildlife Department, Department of Veterinary Service, Taiping Zoo, Kemaman Zoo, Malacca Zoo, corporate bodies, along with postgraduate internship students.

This MoU is expected to raise the curtains for more collaboration between tertiary institutions in South Korea and BMOUIF, as the knowledge and the expertise that can be harnessed from joint programmes will be invaluable in the future of conservation biology, especially in the Far East.

Among the universities and higher educational institutions BMOUIF has collaborated with, include, Monash University, University of Cambridge, University of Victoria (Canada), Kyoto University, Universiti Sains Malaysia, University Malaysia Sabah, Universiti Malaya, Universiti Putra Malaysia, Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Cyberjaya University, Maktab Rendah Sains Mara (Penang), and, Raffles College (Singapore).

Malaysia has an immense pool of scientific talent in the area of conservation biology, and collaborations such as this, between BMOUIF and SGPZ, is further testament as to how Malaysia can export scientific knowledge and expertise around the world.



From left: Dr D Sabapathy, YBhg Tan Sri Datuk Dr Hj Mustapha Kamal, Mr ChunHun Song (Director General Seoul Grand Park) and Dr. BoSook Kim (Director/Zoo management division Seoul Grand Park).



Chairman YBhg Tan Sri Datuk Dr Hj Mustapha Kamal (second from right) during the press conference after the signing of the MoU.



The board of trustee of Bukit Merah Orang Utan Foundation with the Seoul Grand Park representatives.



Wajah baru bangunan di Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah.



Bacaan doa oleh Saudara Azrul.



Perasmian Bangunan Baru Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah oleh YBhg Tan Sri Datuk (Dr) Hj Mustapha Kamal Hj Abu Bakar, Pengasas YPOUBM.



Bahagian dalaman bangunan baru:

Kiri: Bilik Tayangan.

Kanan: Ruang Menunggu dan Kedai Cenderamata, Orangutan De Shoppe.

BANGUNAN BARU UNTUK PULAU ORANG UTAN

17 Ogos 2019 - Tragedi Disember 2018 telah memusnahkan sebahagian bangunan di Pulau Orang Utan. Usaha pengumpulan dana bagi membaikpulih bangunan yang terbakar telah dijalankan sejak Disember 2019 dan kerja-kerja pembaikpulih telah dijalankan dari 1 April sehingga 31 Julai 2019.

Bangunan baru ini telah dirasmikan oleh YBhg Tan Sri Datuk Dr Hj Mustapha Kamal bin Hj Abu Bakar, pengasas Yayasan Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah. Detik bersejarah ini telah dimulakan dengan bacaan doa selamat oleh saudara Azrul bin Jamaludin dan diteruskan dengan pemotongan reben sebagai simbolik perasmian bangunan baru tersebut oleh tetamu kehormat dan disaksikan oleh para pegawai Yayasan Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah.

Pembinaan bangunan baru telah membolehkan pihak pengurusan membuat pelan lantai baru yang lebih sistematik. Susun atur bangunan dan penggunaan konkrit untuk menggantikan kayu dan papan pada bangunan asal telah dilaksanakan, dengan mengekalkan konsep asalnya iaitu konsep terbuka (tanpa dinding). Konsep ini membolehkan pengunjung yang berkunjung ke Pulau Orang Utan menikmati keindahan persekitaran semulajadi hutan dan tasik di sekeliling bangunan ini.

Selain itu, terdapat juga kemudahan –kemudahan yang disediakan untuk keselesaan pengunjung di sini iaitu surau, Lakeside Cafe, bilik tayangan, kedai cenderamata 'Orangutan De Shoppe' dan ruang menunggu bot yang berhawa dingin.

Surau

Surau ini dibina khas untuk memenuhi keperluan pengunjung Muslim yang datang ke sini terutamanya pengunjung dari Timur Tengah. Atas permintaan mereka sebelum ini, pihak YPOUBM berusaha memberikan yang terbaik dengan menyediakan kemudahan yang diperlukan. Surau ini dilengkapi dengan kipas, tempat berwuduk serta keperluan untuk solat.

Lakeside Café

Lakeside Café di Pulau Orang Utan terletak di tengah laluan yang menghubungkan pejabat pentadbiran dan jeti pelepasan. Tempatnya yang

strategik menarik pengunjung yang melalui café ini untuk singgah menikmati minuman sejuk atau ais krim sementara menunggu bot untuk pulang.

Café ini memberikan pengalaman unik kepada pengunjung, di mana mereka boleh memilih sama ada mahu pemandangan tasik di sebelah kiri atau pemandangan hutan di sebelah kanan. Tempat duduk di sebelah kiri café akan membolehkan mereka melihat bot-bot nelayan yang melalui kawasan ini sambil menghirup udara segar. Selain itu, tempat duduk mengadap hutan juga tidak mengecewakan kerana pengunjung dapat melihat aksi orangutan dari jarak jauh dan juga binatang-binatang lain yang hidup liar di kawasan ini seperti burung-burung, kera dan juga luntung. Café yang berkonsepkan santai dan terbuka ini menyajikan minuman dan makanan ringan kepada pengunjung yang datang ke Pulau Orang Utan.

Resource Centre / Pusat Sumber

Pusat sumber di pulau ini hanya terbuka kepada pelajar-pelajar universiti yang berhasrat untuk menjalankan kerja-kerja penyelidikan sahaja. Pusat ini menempatkan pelbagai jurnal, manuskrip, laporan tesis dan buku teks yang berkaitan dengan veterinar orang utan dan pengurusan orang utan. Pusat sumber ini juga dijadikan tempat perbincangan dan mesyuarat pengurusan Yayasan Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah.

Bilik Tayangan

Bilik tayangan di Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah ini boleh memuatkan seramai 60 orang pada satu-satu masa. Bilik berhawa dingin ini dilengkapi dengan sebuah televisyen skrin lebar untuk tontonan pengunjung. Pada kebiasaannya, para pengunjung akan dijemput untuk menonton video berkaitan orang utan di bilik ini sebelum menaiki bot untuk pulang. Selain itu, bilik ini juga digunakan untuk majlis-majlis dan program-program anjuran Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah. Bilik ini juga dibuka kepada mana-mana pihak yang berhasrat untuk mengadakan aktiviti dan majlis dengan bayaran sewa yang berpatutan.

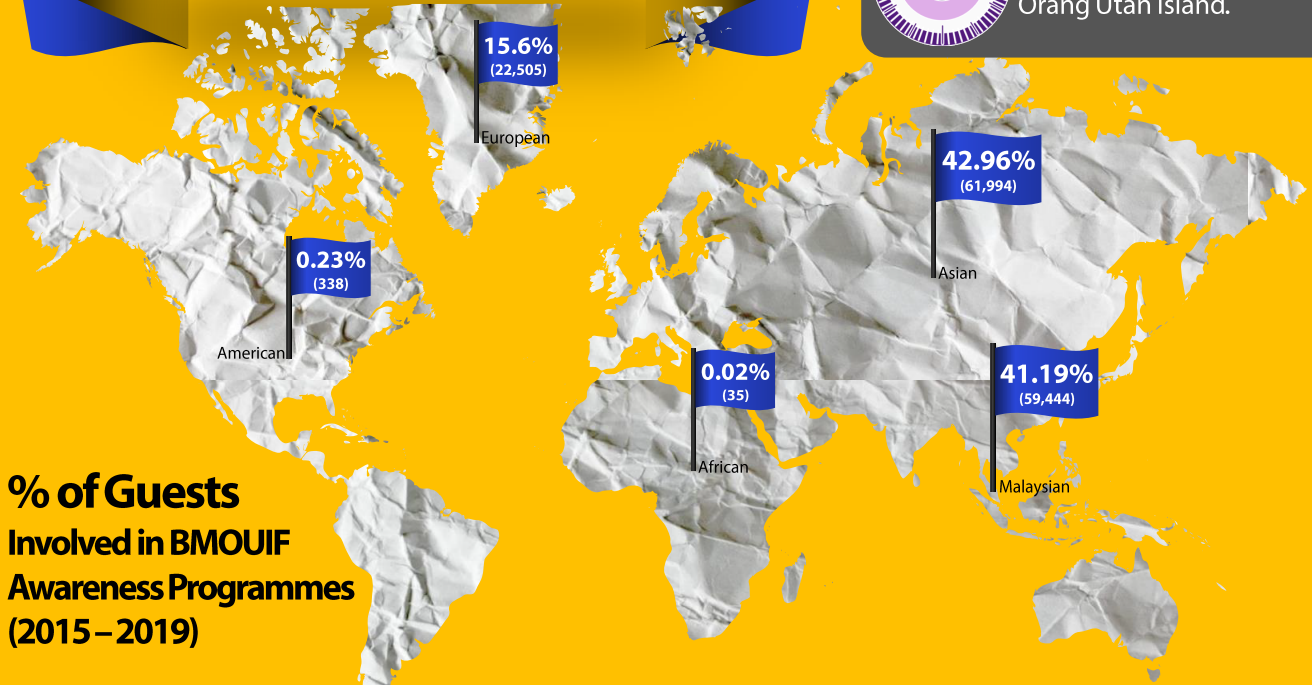
Ruang Menunggu dan Kedai Cenderamata, 'Orangutan De Shoppe'

Sebelum menaiki bot untuk pulang, pengunjung akan melalui ruang menunggu dan kedai cenderamata, 'Orangutan De Shoppe'. Sebagai kenangan lawatan ke Pulau Orang Utan, De Shoppe menawarkan barangan cenderamata seperti penanda buku, magnet peti sejuk, poskad, buku khas terbitan Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah, t-shirt pelbagai warna dan juga barangan berunsurkan kebudayaan di Malaysia seperti kain batik dan Baju Kurung Kedah.

Facts on Bukit Merah Orang Utan Island



60 min is the average amount of TIME spent at Bukit Merah Orang Utan Island.

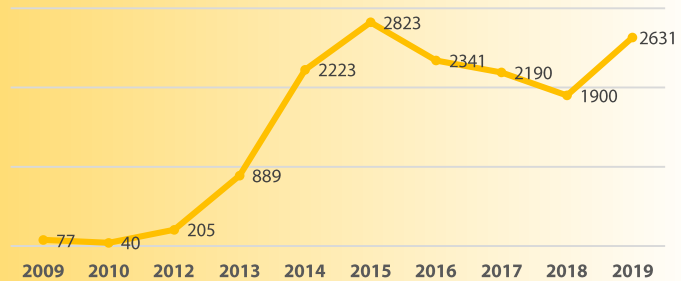


% of Guests Involved in BMOUIF Awareness Programmes (2015-2019)

Educational Programme

402

Students have undergone practical training since 2008



15,519 students have attended educational programme (2009-2019)

Collaboration



10 Local & **6** Foreign Universities

Local : USM | UMS | UPM | UITM | UKM | UM | UMT | UMK | UIA | CUCMS

Foreign : Uni. of Cambridge | Uni. of Victoria | Primate Research Ins. Kyoto University | Uni. of Eastern Philippines | Uni. of Adelaide | The Royal Veterinary College, London



3 Local & **2** Foreign Agencies

Local : Perak Wildlife Department | ANGKASA | Kemaman Zoo

Foreign : Involve Travel Abroad (Green Lion) | Seoul Grand Park

Research

Minor Research

25 projects

105 students

10 universities

Major Research

13 projects

13 students

4 universities

7 Conservation Biology

+

6 Veterinary Medicine

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Thank you for all the feedback and suggestions given!

GRM TRAIN THE TRAINER

Ensuring a continuation of a programme in the long run is a challenge. Change, improvements and feedback are a crucial part in ensuring sustainability. One must also ensure that 'like-minded' people are on the grounds to spread out the message, conduct the programme and make it accessible to the targeted groups.

With this in mind, Green Ranger Malaysia (GRM) yet again had organised the Train the Trainer (TTT) course to train mentors and guides who will conduct environmental awareness activities in their respective organisations. This time around, thirty eight educators from various backgrounds from the Hulu Perak District Education Department took part in this three-day course from the 28th to the 30th of June 2019.

Held at the Belum Adventure Camp, located in the oldest rainforest in Malaysia, the Belum-Temengor Rainforest, this course is seen as one of the important components of GRM as these educators will be our guide to having a good and functional module for students. Their feedbacks are valuable as they themselves will one day be conducting the activities presented in the module at their respective schools.

These educators went through the course, undergoing all the activities as per the students, and then were tasked to present ways to improve or provide suggestions for suitable age-appropriate environmental awareness activities.

All in, the participants positively shared their innovative ideas and GRM were able to gain valuable insides and feedback on our module and the activities conducted under the GRM camp.



The teachers trying out the 'web of life' game.



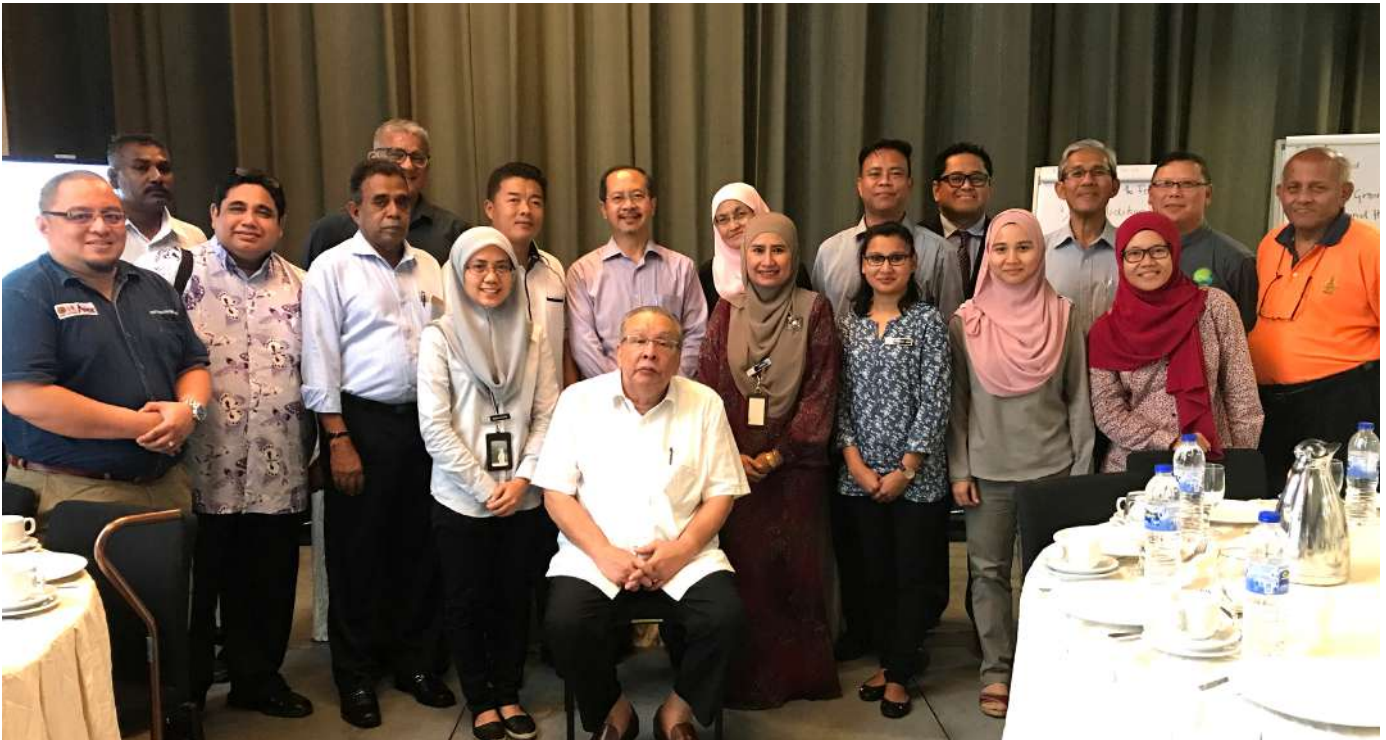
Biodiversity Treasure Trekking: Calculating the biodiversity index.

"This course needs to be continued and reach more schools in order to increase environmental awareness"

- Yuzarani Yusof

"The best! Please continue conducting these camps and, yes, please do also include other institutions, government and NGOs to cultivate environmental awareness and in turn ensuring a more sustainable future"

-Shuhaida Shuib



A group photo with Dr B.

FAREWELL BUT NOT GOODBYE

Dr Daniel Baskaran or fondly called 'Doc B' has been with Pulau Banding Foundation since its inception in 2007. He has served the foundation first as a CEO and later as the Technical Advisor and was also one of the members of the Boards of Trustee for Yayasan EMKAY and Yayasan Pulau Orang Utan Bukit Merah.

Doc B is often introduced as 'The plant doctor' to new acquaintances due to his knowledge and love for plants which is inexhaustible. He is always generous and willing to share his knowledge with those who are keen. His humble and down-to-earth nature is what draws people towards him. He was like a father figure around the foundation office.

After twelve years of serving the foundations, Doc B has decided to take up on his long overdue retirement. All the three foundations gathered together with a few close colleagues to give Doc B a small farewell party on his last day in the office. We hope that the intimate gathering with exchange of lots of well wishes would be a fond memory when he looks back.

The three foundations would like to take this opportunity to thank Doc B for his leadership, services and friendship throughout his years with us. It has been a great experience working with a leader like you.

To the man of great faith, this is our wish for you:

"May The Lord bless you and keep you; may His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; And may He give you peace."

- Numbers 6:24-26



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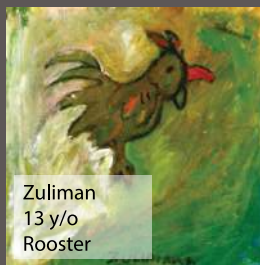
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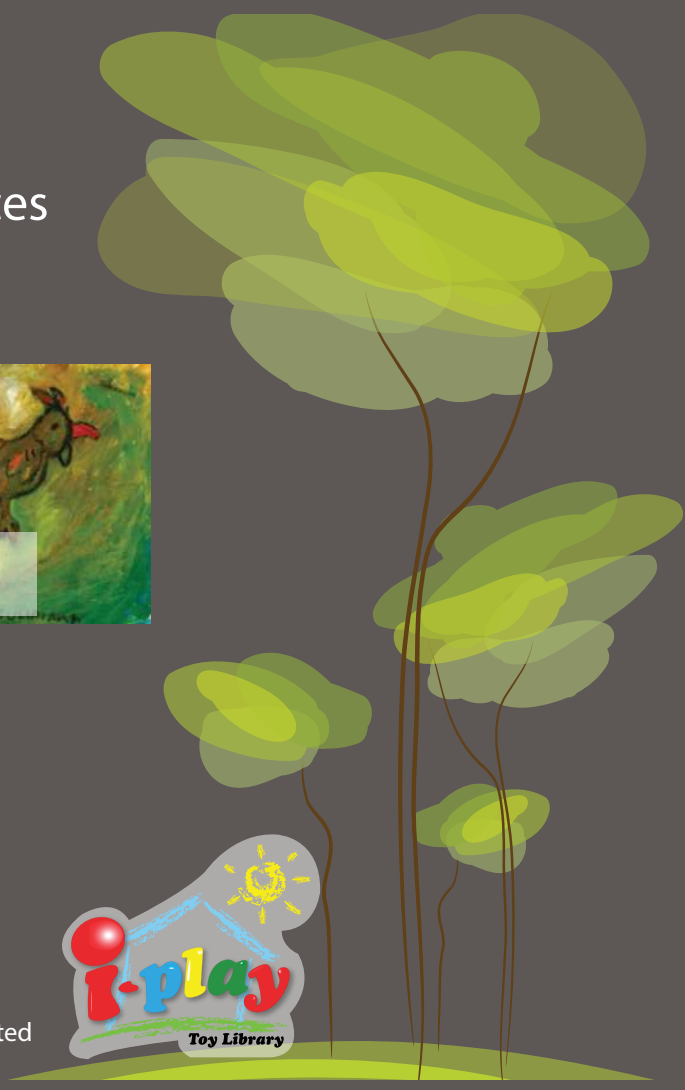
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