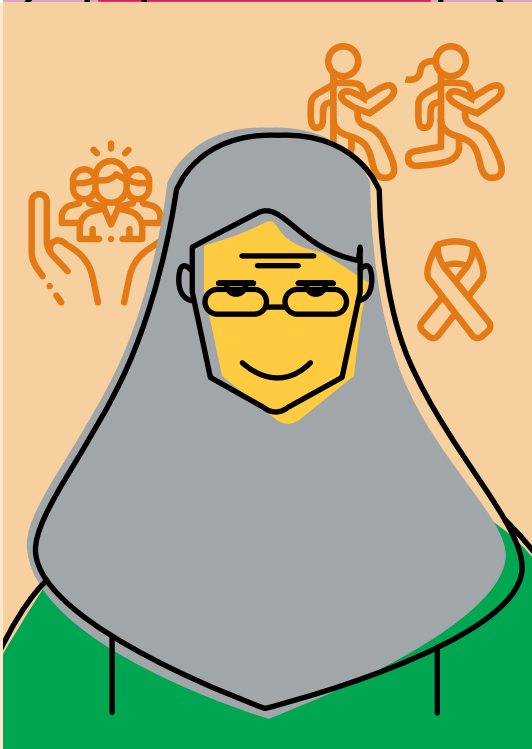
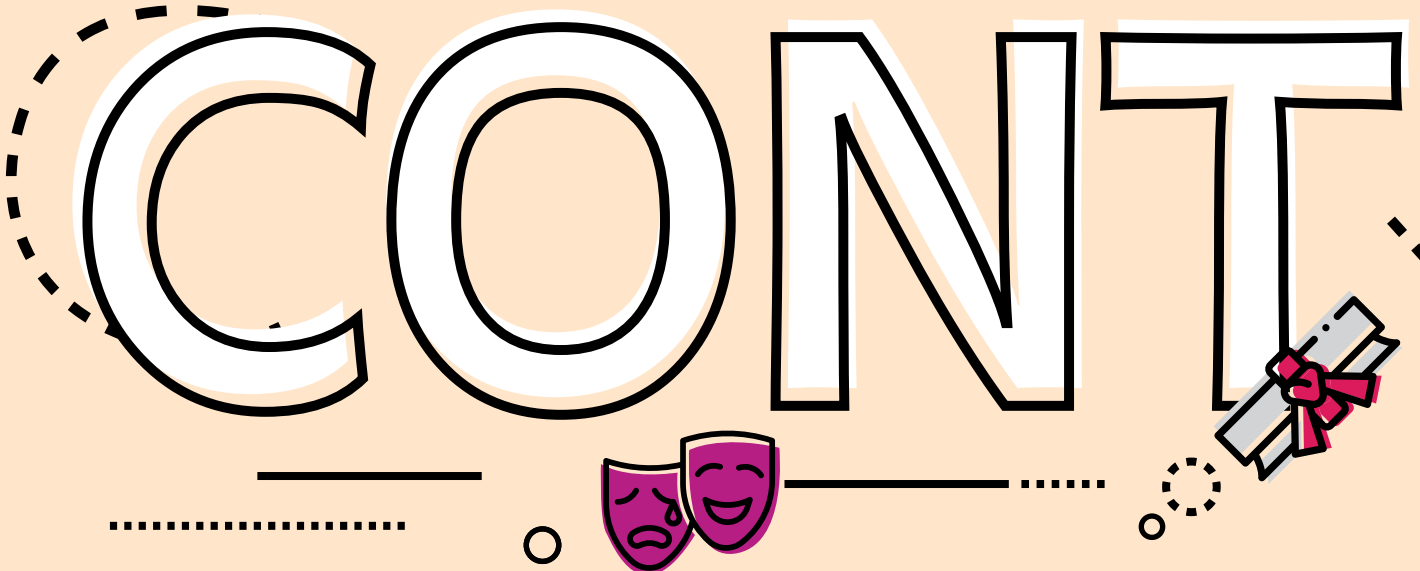
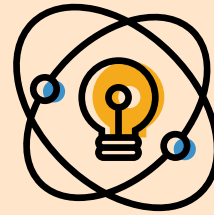


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ABOUT YAYASAN SIME DARBY

YSD is the philanthropic arm of Sime Darby Plantation Berhad, Sime Darby Property Berhad and Sime Darby Berhad. Over the years, the Foundation has expanded its wings from offering scholarships to outstanding and deserving individuals to funding impactful conservation, outreach and development programmes.



BETTER TOGETHER

This year's cover illustrates Yayasan Sime Darby's efforts to foster unity through our five pillars through which we are dedicated to improving lives and continue to provide support regardless of economic state, gender or race. We shall continue to commit to endeavours that champion diversity and inclusion as well as women's empowerment because we are indeed better together.

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OUR VISION

To lead and make a sustainable impact, and a difference in the lives of others.

OUR MISSION

We are dedicated to enhancing lives and delivering sustainable values through the following five pillars: Education, Environment, Community & Health, Sports as well as Arts & Culture.

We practise high ethical values and observe good corporate governance.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Yayasan Sime Darby (YSD) would like to thank Sime Darby Plantation Berhad, Sime Darby Property Berhad and Sime Darby Berhad for the generous donations and continuous support over the years. We also extend our gratitude to all of our project partners for their tireless and dedicated efforts towards the realisation of our projects. We hope to continue and strengthen our synergistic relationships with them in the years to come.



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CHAIRMAN'S FOREWORD

YSD has made great strides in making a difference in the lives of ordinary Malaysians since its establishment in 1982, and it is a great responsibility to continue the Foundation's good work.

*Y.A.M. Tunku Tan Sri
Imran Ibni Almarhum
Tuanku Ja'afar*

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I am delighted to have been given the opportunity to helm one of the country's leading corporate foundations. YSD has made great strides in making a difference in the lives of ordinary Malaysians since its establishment in 1982, and it is a great responsibility to continue the Foundation's good work, while increasing its impact and achieving more milestones. I am glad to be working alongside passionate and enthusiastic peers, and I am grateful for their invaluable insights into assisting and enriching the lives of others, with the support of the diligent YSD operations team.



CHAIRMAN'S
FOREWORD

It has been an inspiring and affirming few months since my appointment on 12 February 2019. Our efforts across YSD's five pillars of Education, Environment, Community & Health, Sports and Arts & Culture continue to assist those in need, in line with the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

I am pleased to note that our continuous efforts to provide support to people living with HIV/AIDS were recognised when we were bestowed with the prestigious Patron Award for Excellence in Corporate Social Responsibility at the Tun Dr. Siti Hasmah Award Gala Dinner 2018. This achievement would not have been possible without the invaluable support of our partners, the Malaysian AIDS Council (MAC) and the Malaysian AIDS Foundation (MAF). Since 2013, YSD had committed RM6.4 million for various initiatives led by the MAC and MAF, such as critical advocacy work, community empowerment initiatives for people living with HIV, and the MAF Positive Audacious Living (PAL) Scheme second line antiretroviral



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YSDAF 2018
350
free-for-all fun
activities



4,828
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by YSD with a commitment
of **RM6 million**



Supporting the
conservation of the
endangered Malayan tiger
200 tigers
in the wild

(ARV) treatment for underprivileged HIV patients. While it is humbling that our efforts are being recognised, there remains so much more work to be done to create awareness and remove the stigma against people living with the disease, for them to seek the life-saving treatment they require to live.

We are also proud that the YSD Arts Festival 2018 (YSDAF 2018) drew to a successful conclusion, attracting the highest number of participants since its inception in 2014 of more than 17,000 over the carnival weekend, with 350 free-for-all fun activities. The festival also carried out many art activities that provided a loudspeaker for disadvantaged voices to tell their stories and showcase Malaysian talent. We have now begun planning for YSDAF 2020, and it is our hope to continue providing a soundboard for the importance of unity in diversity, so stay tuned for more updates!

Our purpose also underpins the Education pillar's Program Pra-Pendidikan Tinggi, formerly known as Tabung Mengubah Destini Anak Bangsa, in collaboration with Universiti Teknologi MARA. The programme provides a second chance to underprivileged students to further their tertiary education after having failed to make the cut to enrol into higher learning institutions. Since 2011, a total of 4,828 students were supported by YSD with a commitment of RM6 million to complete their pre-diploma courses, with 80% of them pursuing their diplomas after completion. We see these opportunities provided as necessary to not only uplift individuals, but also their families, from the cycle of poverty through education and skill enhancement.

CHAIRMAN'S FOREWORD



This is exemplified by Fatin Nur Zulkipli, who completed the programme in 2012. Brought up by a single parent, Fatin is the only one in her family of six siblings who has completed a tertiary education. Through the Program Pra-Pendidikan Tinggi, she pursued a diploma and an undergraduate education at UiTM, making the Dean's list for three consecutive semesters and graduating with a Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.48 in 2017. She managed to complete her master's degree within a year with flying colours, even though she was working as a Health Information Assistant at Gleneagles Penang at the time. She is now pursuing her PhD studies in the field of mobile record management at UiTM.

On the Environment front, we are ramping up critical anti-poaching efforts by supporting the Protect Unit in collaboration with the Sabah Forestry Department. The Protect Team aims to capacity-build and increase patrolling activities in protected areas in Sabah to deter poaching activities. This is especially crucial to stave off the dwindling of endangered species, which is critical at this juncture. We cannot afford to lose any other species to apathy, neglect and lack of political will. At YSD, we have been supporting efforts to conserve endangered species for a decade. We continue to focus our efforts on species that need our help the most to survive for future generations, and we are currently supporting the conservation of the endangered Malayan tiger in collaboration with the Perak State Park Corporation, as we are only left with fewer than 200 tigers in the wild. We call on others to join us and help us save our precious wildlife at this crucial juncture.

We are also raising the ante on several projects, especially those under the Sports pillar. We are resolute in our purpose of recognising latent talent in individuals, regardless of gender or age, providing them with a platform to be the best version of themselves. We hope to do this across various stages in sports development which will lead to holistic development of athletes, and subsequently lay the groundwork for the development of world-class athletes. Midnight Football is one such project. With RM320,000 committed towards the programme, YSD is in

collaboration with the Global Peace Foundation until November 2019. Positioning sports as a vehicle for healing, the programme targets at-risk youths from urban poor and rural schools. It uses football to develop talent, confidence and other soft skills among youths who are at high risk of engaging in delinquency and who express less interest in academic pursuits.

We also recognise that sports development requires our firm support, particularly female sporting talents, who are more often than not, left on the sidelines of sports talent development. And even with this reality in the country, our beloved Malaysia has produced the likes of Nicol David, Pandalela Rinong, Farah Ann Abdul Hadi, Cheong Jun Hoong, Goh Liu Ying and Shalin Zulkifli. Therefore, we hope to do more in this important segment of sports development in the country.

All of YSD's efforts would not have been possible without the commitment towards our causes from our donors: Sime Darby Plantation Berhad, Sime Darby Property Berhad and Sime Darby Berhad. They have committed funds, resources, time, dedication and passion towards YSD and what we believe in, so that we are able to make a difference in the lives of others by way of Corporate Social Responsibility. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the leadership of all three companies for their wisdom and generosity towards YSD and, by extension, the betterment of our society, the nation and the world. We hope to continue doing our best to make a sustainable impact, with their firm commitment and trust in YSD.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REVIEW

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*Dr. Hjh. Yatela
Zainal Abidin*

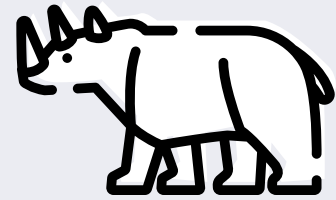
Financial year 2018/2019 was a rewarding year for YSD. We witnessed the successful conclusion of several major projects under the Environment pillar, with significant impact chartered under each of these projects.

On 7 December 2018, we officially handed over the reforestation and rehabilitation of Orangutan Habitats in the Bukit Piton Forest Reserve to the Sabah Forestry Department. After 10 years of working on the project with a commitment of RM25 million, we celebrated several major achievements. A total of 300,000 seedlings of more than 95 species of trees were planted across 5,400ha of land. The population of orangutans, which was dwindling, has stabilised and they are now well-distributed in the area. Our efforts also resulted in the reclassification of the area from Class II Commercial Forest to Class I Protected Forest or Totally Protected Area in 2012.

A month later, we also officially handed over the Sime Darby Plant-A-Tree Jentar project to Sime Darby Plantation. A collaboration between YSD, Sime Darby Plantation and the Forest Research Institute of Malaysia (FRIM), a total of 60



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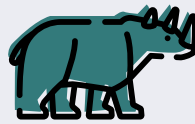
threatened species are now growing on a 160-hectare plot of land set aside by the company in its Jentar estate in Temerloh, Pahang, that could potentially create a wildlife corridor that is connected to the adjacent Krau Wildlife Forest Reserve. The project features the largest collection of Endangered, Rare and Threatened (ERT) tree species in a single oil palm plantation area in Malaysia. FRIM's invaluable input led to the project now serving as an arboretum of ERT tree species open to the public, so that they may access precious seedlings and be part of conservation efforts to preserve these tree species.

In total, both projects contribute close to 500,000 trees to more than 1.5 million trees already planted under four major projects supported by YSD; the two others being the Kinabatangan RiLeaf Project with Nestlé Malaysia; and the peat swamp protection and rehabilitation project in the Raja Musa Forest Reserve with Global Environment Centre (GEC). We plan to continue our reforestation efforts with the Creation of Stepping Stones project in Sime Darby Plantation's Kamunting Estate in Sungai Siput, Perak. The project, to be implemented over two years until 2021 with a commitment of RM2 million, will see the planting of 70,000 trees on 95ha of land in suitable areas within the estate. The project aims to connect the forest patches within the estate, which is situated nearby the Kledang Saiong Permanent Forest Reserve, to act as a corridor for wildlife.

YSD is also embarking on the YSD Huluran Kasih, a programme dedicated towards increasing the spirit of volunteerism among Sime Darby



YSD supports more than **400** underprivileged students a year



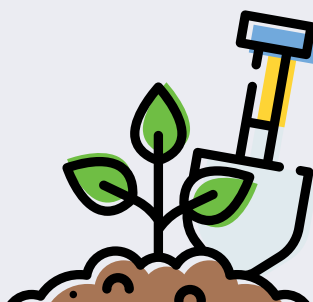
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employees. This programme emphasises the importance of collaborating with Sime Darby Plantation, Sime Darby Property and Sime Darby Berhad and we intend to take our relationship further. We have begun to rope in employees from the three companies as volunteers during distribution of festive assistance and disaster relief efforts but we would like to do more. We shall officially launch the programme in September 2019 in conjunction with Malaysia Day. What better way to celebrate the unity and diversity of our nation by launching a programme that aims to inculcate the spirit of helping those in need without prejudice.

The importance of living in a world without prejudice was also front and centre during the YSD International Women's Day 2019 event, which was attended by the employees of all three Sime Darby companies. This flagship event of ours saw full support from employees, most of whom wore purple in conjunction with the official colour of the day. The event saw the launch of Sime Darby Plantation's Female Development Programme, the first programme of its kind to be implemented in the global palm oil industry. The programme is aimed at honing the skills of female employees towards making them leaders in their respective industries. The event also featured three sharing sessions that touched on the many ways in which women continue to face systemic challenges in their lives. The personal story of Yayasan Peneraju pioneer Raja Azura Raja Mahayuddin brought tears to the eyes of many participants in the room. She has truly weathered such significant trials and tribulations to





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attain an eminent position in her career. So powerful was her story that many employees conveyed their feelings on the impact of her story to me weeks after the event.

At YSD, we recognise that women and girls still have many hurdles to cross towards achieving career fulfilment, talent development and success, and we are committed to lending them a helping hand. This is the reason for our determination to recruit more girls in our youth sports development programmes, particularly the Sime Darby Football Development Programme. The inaugural YSD Chairman's Trophy last year featured one all-girls team called the SJSC Supergirls who had beaten the all-boys team Pagustas U-12. We were bowled over by their skills on the field, and we are hoping to help more girls to develop their talent in sports.

We are also casting our nets wider in terms of providing educational opportunities to those in need. YSD will be offering bursaries for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) programmes soon. We hope to support more than 400 underprivileged students a year, with an annual commitment of more than RM6 million, to complement governmental efforts to focus on TVET as a stepping stone for students from the B40 category to obtain job opportunities.

YSD also recognises there is a crucial need to save our endangered species from the brink of extinction and we realise that the time to do so is now or never. We have already lost the Sumatran rhinoceros with the recent passing of Tam, Malaysia's last male rhino, on 27 May 2019. We are deeply saddened by his death, as we spent close to a decade supporting Tam and three other rhinos. YSD had committed RM15.7 million towards saving the

species from the brink of extinction, which ceased in 2017 once the Federal Government announced that it was allocating RM11.9 million towards the breeding programme helmed by the Sabah Wildlife Department (SWD) and Borneo Rhino Alliance (BORA).

Over the years, we have been forced to watch them die, one by one. Only Iman, Malaysia's last rhino, remains. Tam's death is a reminder that we need to act urgently to save Malaysia's remaining endangered species. The next species that deserves our utmost attention is the Malayan tigers. Scientists have already announced that the species is headed towards extinction in the wild within 10 years if we do not act quickly to save it. At YSD, we are doing our part, engaging with relevant stakeholders and investing in initiatives to save the species. We strive to do so to the best of our abilities, for the benefit of future generations.

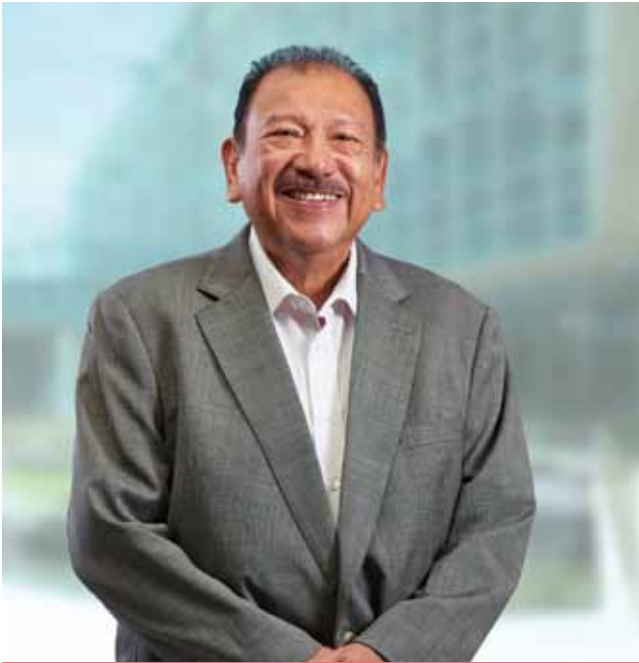
We would not be able to do all this without support from our donors, beneficiaries and stakeholders. I would like to express my deepest appreciation and gratitude for their continuous support over the years, providing us with opportunities to make a positive impact for a better future. I would also like to thank our governing council members who continue to provide guidance and support for all our efforts thus far, allowing us to make great strides. To my dedicated team, thank you for your perseverance and dedication towards ensuring our initiatives achieve their desired goals, as well as ensuring that donations entrusted to the Foundation are accounted for through good governance. I hope that we continue to make a larger impact in all areas of our five pillars as one of Malaysia's prominent corporate foundations, bringing brighter futures to communities, the nation and the world.



Sime Darby Property Berhad Non-Independent Non-Executive Chairman Tan Sri Dr. Zeti Akhtar Aziz handing over a memento from YSD to Dato' Sri Amrin during his farewell event.

This year, YSD bade farewell to our former Governing Council Member Dato' Sri Amrin Awaluddin, who previously served Sime Darby Property Berhad as the Group Managing Director. We would like to record our sincerest appreciation for his contribution and support, and best wishes for his current and future undertakings.

YSD GOVERNING COUNCIL



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FARIB



AZLINA



NURALIYANA
(PROTÉGÉ)



SYAKIRA
(Intern)



NADIA MARIE
(Volunteer)

ONGOING LONG-TERM PROJECTS



Education

Education Support Scheme (ESS) (On Track)
2012 - 2022
RM7,739,800

Funding Teachers' Salaries for Sime Darby Plantation Community School Children in Liberia
2018 - 2021
RM4,755,240

High Impact Training Creative Content Initiative Programme for Underprivileged Students in Sabah
2015 - 2019
RM2,500,000

Scholarship for Underprivileged Students in collaboration with Universiti Tun Abdul Razak
2015 - 2019
RM2,000,000

Sime Darby Young Innovators Challenge
2016 - 2019
RM3,530,000

Program Pra-Pendidikan Tinggi in collaboration with Universiti Teknologi MARA
2011 - 2019
RM6,000,000

Tun Razak Ohio Chair for Malaysian Studies
Since 2010
USD750,000

YSD Scholarship Award
Since 1982
RM282,200,000

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Community & Health

Cancer Research Malaysia (CRM)
2012 - 2020
RM42,200,000

Construction of "Asrama Desa" in Nabawan, Sabah
2016 - 2020
RM600,000

'Every Child Needs A Family' in collaboration with OrphanCARE Foundation
2014 - 2021
RM1,900,000

'Hear And Be Heard' Programme in Partnership with the Institute of Ear, Hearing and Speech (I-HEARS), UKM
2017 - 2020
RM300,000

Hospis Malaysia (HM) Home Visit Programme
2013 - 2021
RM2,836,532

Malaysian AIDS Council (MAC) Advocacy Programme
2013 - 2019
RM1,720,000

National Diabetes Institute
2010 - 2021
RM4,850,000

Sinar Harapan YSD
Since 2012
RM1,000,000 annually

Support for the Malaysian AIDS Foundation (MAF) PAL Scheme
2014 - 2020
RM2,700,000

Sustaining Early Intervention Care for Children Living with Autism with IDEAS Autism Centre (IAC)
2014 - 2019
RM3,455,200

Tabung YSD for the Underprivileged Coronary Patients at University of Malaya Medical Centre (UMMC)
2013 - 2020
RM5,500,000

The Royal Professor Ungku Aziz Chair for Poverty Eradication
Since 2009
RM2,500,000

Women's Aid Organisation (WAO): Advocacy Work on Violence Against Women
2010 - 2019
RM4,300,000

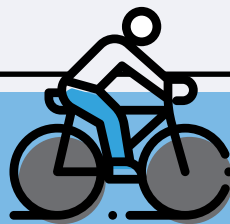
"YSD - YOKUK Sayang Home Care" Programme
2014 - 2020
RM1,655,000

YSD Disaster Relief Fund
Since 2013
RM2,000,000 annually

YSD Huluran Kasih - Employee Volunteer Programme (EVP)
Since 2018
RM300,000 annually

Yayasan Chow Kit Education Programme
2009 - 2020
RM3,700,000

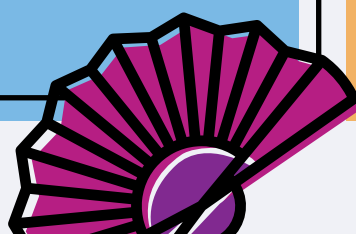
Sports



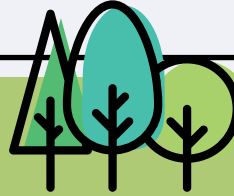
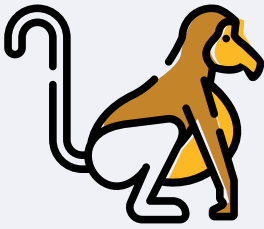
Midnight Football by Global Peace Festival Malaysia (GPFM)
2018 - 2019
RM320,000

Road to Tokyo 2020: Sime Darby Foundation Cycling Team (SDFTCT)
2010 - 2020
RM7,450,000

Sime Darby Football Development Programme (SDFDP) by Sime Darby Football Club (SDFC)
2018 - 2019
RM1,200,000



ONGOING
LONG-TERM
PROJECTS



Environment

Borneo Jungle Diaries
2017 - 2019
RM500,000

Crops for the Future
2017 - 2021
RM1,460,000

Enhancing Anti-Poaching Efforts in Royal Belum State Park
2017 - 2020
RM1,520,000

Peat Swamp Forest Protection and Rehabilitation at Raja Musa Forest Reserve
2014 - 2019
RM1,574,000

PROTECT SFD
2019 - 2021
RM4,000,000

Project RiLeaf with Nestle
2014 - 2020
RM3,700,000

Queen Alexandra Birdwing Butterfly (QABB)
2017 - 2020
RM6,800,000

Reef Check Malaysia
2014 - 2020
RM1,115,000

Reforestation and Rehabilitation of Orangutan Habitat in Ulu Segama, Sabah
2008 - 2018
RM25,000,000

SAFE Project
2010 - 2020
RM30,000,000

Salleh Trail at Kota Damansara Community Forest (KDCF)
2016 - 2021
RM40,000

Save Sea Turtles by Operationalising Turtle Excluder Devices (TEDs) in Sabah
2018 - 2019
RM270,000

Sime Darby Plant-A-Tree Programme: The Creation of Stepping Stones at Kamuning Estate, Sg. Siput, Perak (Lion Hill)
2019 - 2021
RM2,000,000

Sime Darby Plant-A-Tree Programme: Jentar, Pahang
2007 - 2019
RM13,000,000

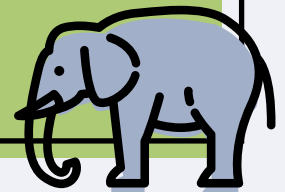
The Creation of a Human and Orangutan Coexistence Landscape in Kinabatangan, Sabah by PONGO Alliance
2019 - 2021
RM1,200,000

The Management and Ecology of Malaysian Elephants (MEME)
2012 - 2019
RM5,260,000

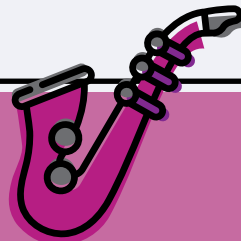
Tropical Rainforest Conservation and Research Centre (TRCRC), Merisuli, Sabah
2018 - 2021
RM2,900,000

UKM – Chair in Climate Change
Since 2010
RM5,000,000

UKM-YSD Chair for Sustainable Development: Zero Waste Technology for the Palm Oil Industry
Since 2010
RM15,000,000



Arts & Culture



YSD Arts Festival
2014 - 2018
RM4,580,000

ASK Dance Company
2011 - 2019
RM3,781,430

Arts on the Move
2019 - 2021
RM500,000

Development of Creative Hubs: "Hubs for Good" by British Council Malaysia
2018 - 2021
RM400,000

Five Arts Centre (FAC)
2014 - 2019
RM855,000

Kuala Lumpur Performing Arts Centre
2013 - 2020
RM5,500,000

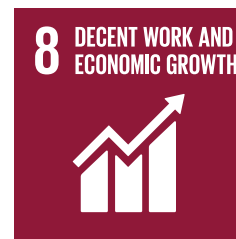
The Royal Press
2014 - 2019
RM3,101,637

Jerayawara Pekan Bangsawan
2018 - 2019
RM300,000

The Actors Studio
2018 - 2019
RM86,500



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGs)



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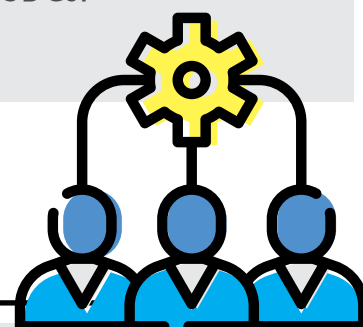
As a leading foundation, YSD's endeavours are planned to contribute towards resolving main global challenges, to further sustainable development. To achieve this, the foundation strives to prioritise support for projects that are aligned with global policies geared towards a better society and world.



In 2015, the United Nations (UN) had mapped 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) as part of the international community's action plan for global prosperity and well-being. The bold commitments set by the UN aim to address global challenges across social, environmental and economic development issues.

In this financial year, YSD had reviewed the strategies of its five pillars to ensure that they are aligned with the 17 SDGs that the UN charted, as YSD is of the view that it is important to align our focus areas to resonate with the SDGs to support initiatives that offer broad social, economic and environmental impacts.

Relevant SDGs are shown on each article in this report, to reflect how our aspirations have achieved a level of alignment with the SDGs.



SPECIAL FEATURES

Relevant SDGs



Education



Ohio University Prof. John Sabraw conducting the art workshop with aspiring artists and participants to impart knowledge on his method of using pigments derived from toxic waste in his series of artwork.

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Ohio-Razak Lecture Series

Turning Poison to Art: Professor John Sabraw at the 10th Distinguished Tun Abdul Razak Lecture



Ohio University’s Professor of Art John Sabraw knows a thing or two about the adage “one man’s poison is another man’s treasure.”

He has been working closely with his colleague, Ohio University Professor of Civil Engineering Dr. Guy Riefler for years to extract and convert chemicals from Ohio’s polluted streams into paint pigment.

Sabraw’s current art work uses this pigment to raise awareness on environmental issues that pose a threat to wildlife and communities.

“I make paintings that express the sublimity of nature but also the fragility of our relationship with it. All of my paintings use these toxic pigments in combination with standard artist colours,” he said.

Sabraw elaborated on his efforts to use art to highlight the ways in which our lives are intertwined with a fragile ecosystem at the 10th Distinguished Tun Abdul Razak Lecture titled “Synergy of Curiosity: From Acid to Art.”

In collaboration with Ohio University, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Universiti Putra

Malaysia (UPM), the Ministry of Education and supported by Yayasan Sime Darby, the 10th Distinguished Tun Abdul Razak Lecture was held on 3 December 2018 at the Sime Darby Convention Centre.

The significance of Professor Sabraw’s work hinges on the history of Ohio. The state is a hotbed for abandoned mines. A relic of the mid-19th century mining boom, these abandoned coal mines leach toxic acid mine drainage (AMD) into Ohio’s river basin.



Data from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources show that an estimated 1,300 miles of Ohio's streams are polluted by heavy chemicals from abandoned coal mines.

Sabraw and Riefler are currently working on producing the pigment on a commercial scale. They hope to channel revenue from the sale of the pigment back into the remediation process of the streams.

Sabraw's paintings, drawings, and collaborative installations are produced in an eco-conscious manner, and he continually works toward a fully sustainable practice. In his line of work, he continuously seeks alternative materials to produce art and explores visionary ideas and schemes crossing disciplines and even cultures.

Therefore, his keynote presentation is crucial as Malaysia faces a diverse range of environmental issues, such as hazardous and toxic waste problems, as well as air and water pollution.

The lecture provided Malaysian environmental professionals with new ideas and possibilities to tackle local environmental issues in a sustainable manner.

Prior to delivering his presentation at the 10th

Distinguished Tun Abdul Razak Lecture, Professor Sabraw conducted an art workshop with 30 Malaysian artists and art students on 30 November 2018 to impart knowledge on his method of using pigments derived from toxic waste in his artwork. All proceeds from the sale of the artworks were channelled towards the National Autism Society of Malaysia.

The Distinguished Tun Abdul Razak Lecture is part of the Tun Abdul Razak Chair Programme, a decade-long collaboration between Ohio University and Malaysia.

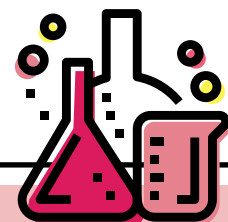
Established in 1979 and named in the honour of the second Prime Minister of Malaysia, the Tun Abdul Razak Chair Programme

at Ohio University has brought unique opportunities to advance greater knowledge and awareness of Malaysian history, culture, economic, social and political life in the United States of America. It works tirelessly to promote knowledge exchange between people in both countries, bringing innovation to the fore.

The Chair brings a senior Malaysian scholar to Ohio University for a two-year appointment to teach, do research and contribute to outreach and networking activities focusing on Malaysia and Southeast Asia. The first Razak Professor came to Ohio University in 1981. Since then, 15 professors from Malaysia have worked at Ohio University.



Ohio University's Professor of Art John Sabraw presenting his work on the conversion of acid mine drainage pollution to art.



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Orangutans seen in trees planted by YSD a decade ago.

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Northern Ulu Segama Closure

Bringing Life to Bukit Piton: The reforestation and rehabilitation of orangutan habitats in the Bukit Piton Forest Reserve

In a quiet groove in the Bukit Piton Forest Reserve, Sabah Forestry Department (SFD) officers are preparing for one last round of maintenance work on trees planted in the area under reforestation efforts supported by YSD and Sime Darby Plantation Berhad.

The maintenance work, carried out in November 2018, was the last to be carried out before YSD officially handed over the project to the SFD in December last year following its conclusion of the ten-year project.

YSD's support for the reforestation project had assisted SFD to successfully advocate for the reclassification of the

Northern Ulu Segama Forest Reserve to a Class 1 Protection Forest Reserve or Totally Protected Area status in 2012, from its original status as Class 2 Commercial Forest Reserve.

Under the law, this reclassification protects the area from future encroachment or development activities, as it is not allowed to be used or converted for other land use purposes.

Sabah Forestry District Officer (Ulu Segama-Malua) Robert Martin Mijol said the project has been a major success for the department, and will serve as a pioneer project for future reforestation projects to come in Sabah.



The initiative also positively impacted other wildlife such as bantengs and sun bears as they get to experience a more conducive habitat.

"We wish to use this project as a model for other areas. Not only in the Ulu Segama area, but in other districts as well," he said.

YSD began supporting the reforestation and rehabilitation of orangutan habitats in the Bukit Piton Forest Reserve in 2008 with a commitment of RM25 million. Since then, a total of 295,159 trees have been planted in an area covering 5,400ha.

Mijol said since the project's implementation, orangutan nests have been increasingly sighted by project and NGO workers.

"WWF (World Wildlife Fund) did some studies in 2014 on orangutan nests and found that after the project began, the nests are well distributed now. The canopy is recovering," he said.

"It shows that rehabilitation projects can have a huge pay-off. This project brought the orangutans back to the area, and brought the forest back to its natural state," he added.

A habitat once ravaged by forest fires and acute timber harvesting practices, the Bukit Piton Forest Reserve is now slowly recovering, with wildlife returning to its once barren land.

The project has also supported the communities living along Sungai Segama who have been engaged and provided job opportunities related to reforestation works.

Ene Petrus, 36, is one member of the Segama community who

was employed under the project. Prior to his work under the project, he worked at his uncle's oil palm plantation.

Since working for the reforestation project, he has learnt to appreciate the fragile ecosystem he calls home.

"When I was working at the oil palm plantation, it was just work. It's just one crop," he said.

"But working in the forest, you see different wildlife. You also learn about the different trees in the forest.

"I have learnt to care about the forest. I have seen deers, hornbills, elephants, orangutan, *musang*," he added.

For the contractors working on the project like Segama Frontier, the past few years have been rewarding in more ways than one.

Segama Frontier Manager Hatta Tahir, 41, said this was his first time working on a reforestation project.

"Previously, we do oil palm planting. For oil palm planting, we plant the crops on cleared terraces. With this project, the area is in its natural state," he said.

"After we started working on this project, we have a stronger passion for the environment because we see the effects of what we are doing.

"Previously, this area was an open area. We had to do intense replanting. Now, every time the workers go into the reforested areas, they see orangutans," he added.



Sabah Forestry District Officer (Ulu Segama - Malua) Robert Martin Mijol said the reforestation and rehabilitation of Bukit Piton Forest Reserve is a pioneer project for future reforestation projects in the state.



Sabah Forestry Assistant District Officer Jevani Sahak said the project would not have been successful without commitment and passion towards reforestation efforts.

Sabah Forestry Assistant District Officer Jevani Sahak, 47, said the positive change in the area is palpable.

"Before the project started, it used to be very hot. Now, you can see that the area is green, the air is fresh. That's why if you want to live longer, stay in Bukit Piton," he said with a laugh.

"We can also see changes in the small river nearby. Now, the river is full of fish so the *orang kampung* can also get income (from fishing). As there is an increase in wildlife, the Sabah Wildlife Department has set up a patrol team who patrols the area every day," he added.

Jevani said the project would not have been successful without commitment and passion towards reforestation efforts.

"Only by having a heart that cares for the environment, wildlife, and air; will you see success," he added.

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(left and middle) Sime Darby Plantation Berhad Deputy to Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer, Upstream (now SDLP Group Managing Director) Mohamad Helmy Othman Basha and YSD CEO Dr. Hj. Yatela Zainal Abidin offers assistance to a victim of the Lombok earthquake.

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Lombok and Sulawesi Relief Efforts

Silver Linings: Assistance for Lombok and Sulawesi earthquake victims

Between September and November 2018, Indonesia was devastated by multiple powerful earthquakes and tsunamis that left thousands on the islands of Lombok and Palu, Sulawesi homeless, jobless and hungry.

The catastrophe changed the lives of many, including Saiyah Arshad's, 48, also known as Mbak Iyam. The earthquake took her mother, sister-in-law and most of her employees, who were also her close friends. Determined to recover from her losses, she decided to rebuild her business.

With only RM300 capital and limited cooking utensils, her journey, however, was tough. On top of that, she was also taking care of her ill husband.

Mbak Iyam is no stranger to overcoming adversity. As a child, she supported her family of six. Through sheer hard work, she kick-started a small business venture selling condiments, such as dried tuna, chicken floss and fried onions.

The business has proven to be successful not only in providing



Buildings ravaged by the earthquake.



Saiyah Arshad, also known as Mbak Iyam, used her capital of RM300 to jumpstart her business after the earthquake.

her family with a stable income, but also job opportunities for 30 other mothers in Palu. She received the One Village One Product (OVOP) award from Indonesia's Ministry of Industry, representing the Province of Abon. This thriving business unfortunately, was wiped out by the earthquake.

Mbak Iyam's family is among the 278 affected by the Palu earthquake and tsunami who received aid from YSD, in partnership with MERCY Malaysia and their Indonesian counterpart Pos Keadilan Peduli Ummat (PKPU). YSD committed RM400,000 towards relief efforts for the community, which included 262 units of transit shelters, 47 units of 3-in-1 toilets, 14 water piping systems, 2 units of tube wells and household items, such as fans and mats.

"I am grateful to Yayasan Sime Darby and MERCY Malaysia for providing us with transit shelters. This shelter is where I live and sleep, a place for me to cook and sell my products. I see a tough life ahead but I will not show my sadness to others and I will not give up," she said.

Mbak Iyam's eldest daughter Vitri Rezkiani who is working as a nurse in Palu has been her indispensable sidekick as she stays up late every night to prepare cooking ingredients while taking care of her father and her siblings.

"I pray to Allah that my business will go well so that I can provide job opportunities to single mothers here," Mbak Iyam said, adding that she is thankful to community leaders for giving the support she needed.

For others like Udiani, 60, getting back on track is more difficult than it seemed. As a vegetable farmer, he had limited resources to fall back on following the disaster.

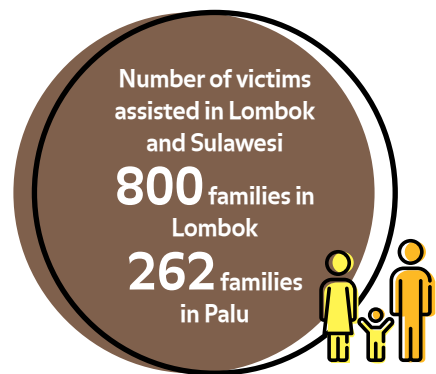
"Ninety per cent of the population here in Lombok are farmers. We used to supply to a wholesaler and sell our produce at local markets. It has been a traumatic experience to have lost everything and we have not had the time to even think about getting back to work. Our main concern now is to get a new home," he shared.

Udiani and his family of 14 now live in a transit shelter, provided by YSD and MERCY Malaysia.

"Most of us farmers are scared of going back to farming because we fear something will happen at home while we are gone," he said.

YSD, together with MERCY Malaysia and PKPU, provided 290 transit shelters, food and hygiene kits to 800 families affected by the earthquake in Lombok.

The earthquake affected both the elderly and the youth. Gito, 35, was 4 months pregnant



with her first child when the earthquake hit the island. She lamented that aftershocks would be frequent and consistent – especially on Mondays.

"All the children would get scared every time Monday approaches as they expect another earthquake or aftershock to happen," she said.

They are currently relying on donations from the public to sustain themselves.

"We spend mornings outside the transit shelter as it can get very hot inside and then return back in at night when it gets cooler. We can only hope and pray that the authorities will continue to help us as we slowly get our lives back together," she said.

At the time of the interview: November – December 2018

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Participants of the YSD Chairman's Trophy in action.

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Chairman's Trophy

Smells Like Team Spirit: YSD Chairman's Trophy



Rain and thunder did not deter youths from trying their best to clinch coveted challenger trophies and cash prizes during the inaugural YSD Chairman's Trophy 2018.

The Indonesian team Pagustas U-12 was crowned champion of the Under 12 (U-12) category at the tournament.

Pagustas qualified for the final after beating Kombat Fighters in the semi-final and Subadron Football Academy in the Quarter Final. The team, which hails from Jakarta, Indonesia, walked away with a RM1,000 cash prize, medals and the U-12 challenger

trophy. A total of 24 teams competed in the U12 category.

Teams Young Guns U-10 and Sime Darby Football Club (FC) U-8 were crowned champions of the Under 10 (U-10) and Under 8 (U-8) categories respectively. Young Guns U-10 won a RM1,000 cash prize, medals and a challenger trophy while Sime Darby FC U-8 was awarded medals.

The tournament, held on 10 and 11 November 2018, was organised by Sime Darby Football Club and supported by YSD, with sponsors Nestle Malaysia and Fraser & Neave

providing Milo and 100 Plus isotonic drinks for parched youth football enthusiasts.

The tournament was held in conjunction with the launch of the Sime Darby Football Development Programme, which took place on 10 November 2018. YSD has committed RM1.2 million towards the two-year programme until December 2019.

Parents and football enthusiasts showed up on the weekend to support the competing teams at the tournament despite the unfavourable weather, including Malaysian football legend Zainal Abidin Hassan.

Sime Darby FC Honorary Secretary Zainal Amat said the tournament involved the participation of a total of 54 teams, comprising 24 teams in the U-12 category, 20 teams in the U-10 category and 10 teams in the U-8 category.

"We had 3 teams from Indonesia participating in the tournament. All 54 teams gave their all," he said.

"The tournament was also a good yardstick for the Sime Darby FC U-8, U-10 and U-12, with the Sime Darby FC U-8 team winning the top prize in the U-8 category, the U-10 team made it to the semi-final round while the U-12 team won in the U-12 Plate Category. We are considered new kids on the block and we managed to chart some success," he added.

The Sime Darby FC U-12 team is part of the Sime Darby Football Development Programme.

YSD Chief Executive Officer Dr. Hj. Yatela Zainal Abidin said YSD's support to the football development programme was aimed at honing the technical skills of junior footballing talents and their soft skills.

"It is much easier to inculcate soft skills such as being a team player with a high level of discipline in young children. It takes more effort and resources to do so when they are adolescents," she said.



She said the Foundation hopes that more girls' teams would participate in future instalments of the YSD Chairman's Trophy tournament.

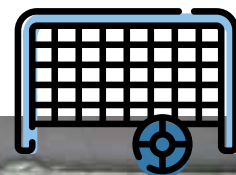
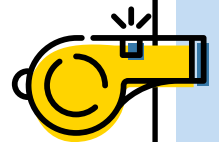
The YSD Chairman's Trophy 2018 tournament featured one all-girls team - Subang Jaya Sports Community (SJSC) Supergirls U-12.

She also said the project hopes to recruit more girls into the programme, as it is crucial to develop female talent in sports.

As of 26 April 2019, there are only six girls registered in the Sime Darby Football Development Programme.

"I understand that the SJSC Supergirls had beaten Indonesian team Pagustas U-12 yesterday and Pagustas U-12 won the finals of the U-12 category today," she said.

"This goes to show that girls have so much potential in playing football. We hope to have even more girls being part of the programme in the future to harness their hidden potential," she added.



(From centre, L-R) Sime Darby Football Club Honorary Secretary Tn. Hj. Zainal Amat, Sime Darby Football Club President Y. A. M. Tengku Datuk Seri Ahmad Shah Ibn Almarhum Sultan Abdul Aziz and YSD CEO Dr. Hj. Yatela Zainal Abidin with the Under 12 winning team.

Arts & Culture



A street performance during a community-based project by Arts-ED Penang.

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Championing Arts Education and Development

Janet Pillai, 64, is a prominent member of Five Arts Centre (FAC) – a collective of Malaysian artistes and producers dedicated to generating alternative art forms in the contemporary arts landscape.

Since 2014, YSD had been supporting FAC with a total sponsorship amount of RM855,000, to achieve various objectives, such as encouraging emerging work in Malaysian performing arts, issuing arts publications, and developing and maintaining online archives.

Janet has been involved in various programmes under YSD's support all these years – she was heavily involved in archiving work through the Arts Education Archive Malaysia (AEAM), which the

foundation had a hand in piloting. In this current sponsorship term, together with Charlene Rajendran, she is leading the Critical Conversations Project; a series of panel discussions focusing on capacity building and arts development. Janet believes that arts education must be championed alongside other fields of study and hopes to instigate changes for arts education to thrive further in Malaysia.

“Presently, not much has been done for arts education and

oftentimes, it is seen as inferior compared to other subject matters. This is evident in the insufficient funding allocated for this purpose. The arts scene in Malaysia especially on the education front should be empowered to be at par with focus areas such as science and technology. We must reaffirm the importance of a well-rounded education and that means a stronger emphasis on arts education.

Arts education is fundamental for any society. In Malaysia, we have both formal and non-formal arts.

We incorporate formal arts into academic curriculum that comprises two disciplines: Music Education and Visual Arts. For me, the syllabus is good as they learn quite a lot about Malaysian music and visual arts. However, due to some defaults, other art forms have never been introduced.

I would say starting a programme without a baseline or thorough research is a major problem. No evidence-based work is being done. For example, a lot of millennials are good at researching and doing things on their own, but they usually have no fundamental training. So, one can be an artiste or have an arts degree, but they are not interested in pedagogy. Despite many arts galleries available, community arts programmes are few and far between due to lack of funds.

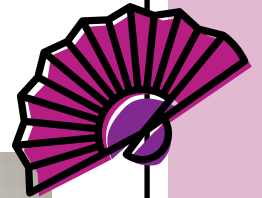
Arts education is a completely different track overseas and we are still lagging behind. In countries like Japan, Singapore,

Hong Kong, and Thailand, they have already put arts education on an equal standing with other critical areas. These countries are looking at the social impacts of the arts. So, they are looking more at the art process and creation, and how these two can benefit various sections of communities such as those with special needs. Japan, for example, has opened three major arts centres to cater to people with autism.

Perhaps we can facilitate a dialogue or forum as a first step towards the development of a roadmap and have representatives from relevant sectors to analyse strengths and weaknesses, discuss ways to strategise and come up with a collective vision to achieve our ultimate agenda.

We need to fine-tune the blueprint or national policies for arts education to flourish in this country. The realisation of this agenda would require adequate

planning, a fundamental shift in strategy, at all levels. The future of arts education depends on what people would like to make out of it. I believe in citizen movements and collective efforts. If there is no desire, then there is no future."



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JANET PILLAI, 64



Children participating in silver crafting workshop by Arts-ED Penang.



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The amount
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RM285.7mil

The number of
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YSD endeavours to offer wisdom, expertise and assistance at all levels of education to promote and advance what people believe they can achieve, especially the underprivileged. YSD supports initiatives that reduce gaps in accessing quality education between urban and rural societies, and to improve access to basic education for the marginalised. The Foundation also strives to support national policies with the aim to improve the Malaysian education system.

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Scholars' Testimonials



“YSD’s scholarship gave me the strength to pursue my personal growth and development, despite my physical disability. I joined as many leadership programmes as I could, which boosted my self-confidence and improved my communication skills. It made me happy whenever I had the chance to exchange views with other scholarship holders. Learning about YSD and its corporate social responsibility initiatives through one of my course assignments inspires me to encourage people with disabilities to pursue their academic dreams.”

Khair Najid Karim,
YSD Special Needs Bursary
Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting), International Islamic College

“The scholarship has opened doors to new opportunities for my career. During my internship at Sime Darby Oils Biodiesel Sdn Bhd, I was selected to be part of an operations team based in Carey Island handling installation and commissioning of plants for palm oil downstream activities. Even though it was a challenge for me as the only female team member dealing with the negative perceptions from contractors and clients who are not used to receiving feedback from women; I felt assured and confident to carry on with the tasks at hand, especially with the support and guidance from my colleagues and immediate superior. I am now a Graduate Accelerator Programme Trainee at Sime Darby Oils and proud to be working for an organisation that believes in women empowerment and gender equality.”

Dayang Nur Ain Abang Zulkarnin,
YSD Undergraduate Local Excellence
Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering, Universiti Tun Hussein Onn Malaysia



“The YSD scholarship programme to study in China is for the bold and the brave. Living in the world’s fastest-growing economy whilst learning from prominent academicians and colleagues in Mandarin for six years was undeniably a nerve-wracking yet life-changing experience. China’s competitive environment coupled with the university’s overpacked academic schedule and never-ending heaps of assignments had tremendously sharpened my soft skills and built my mental strength. With the support from YSD and my family, all my hard work and determination paid off when I completed my mechanical engineering degree in 2017. Looking back, the scholarship programme had increased my self-esteem, giving me the courage to overcome any obstacles in my personal life and career. As an engineer in Sime Darby Industrial, I feel confident and empowered to add value to the company, particularly when being tasked to engage and carry out projects with growing customers from China.”

Haafizhul Fithri Salim,
YSD Undergraduate China Excellence
Former Shanghai Jiao Tong University student



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“Ever since I started pursuing A-Level foundation, my goal was to further my studies at a renowned university in the United Kingdom (UK). Coming from a middle-class family, to study abroad has always been something beyond our means. The YSD scholarship for undergraduate studies in the UK made that dream come true. Through the years, I have learnt to become more independent, self-aware and emotionally intelligent. One particular experience that I hold closest to my heart is my exchange experience in Brazil, through an international organisation for student exchange. Not only did it make me bolder as a person, but it also taught me to appreciate broader perspectives of the world. The majority of people face tough conditions in life yet they remain strong, appreciative and never fail to draw a smile on each other’s faces. With the main takeaway from the experience being empathy, I believe it will enable me to work better with people in the future by putting their emotions first.”

Jacqueline Kanasha James,
YSD Undergraduate UK Excellence
Bachelor of Accounting and Finance, The University of Warwick

“Being a student diagnosed with a physical disability is never easy, especially for a girl who comes from a rural area like me. Being a YSD scholar has taught me to be resilient. The recognition from YSD has pushed me forward whenever I face a challenge. Their financial and moral support have allowed me to spread my wings to explore the legal field without any worries. This has helped me to achieve my dream career. Today, I am a lawyer in training who is lucky and humbled to be allowed to participate in cases involving various laws. I have to thank YSD for taking a chance and allowing me to continue my studies. It was them who showed me a silver lining when I needed it most.”

Ang Shin Yee,
YSD Special Needs Bursary
Bachelor of Laws (LLB) University of Malaya



“This scholarship means a lot to me. It has eased my parents’ financial burden so that I can focus solely on my studies and pursue my dream to become a professional accountant. I am grateful that the opportunity allows me to maximise my time by participating in various academic competitions and volunteering activities. I have also learnt to balance my academics and extracurricular activities through self-discipline and good time management. The scholarship inspires me to continuously improve myself and always reminds me of the importance to give back to society no matter how small your contribution is.”

Khoong Lih Ling,
YSD Local Undergraduate Excellence
Bachelor of Accounting (Hons), Universiti Malaya



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YSD Scholar from Liberia: Adapting to a New Culture

George Emmett Dukuly, 27, is a YSD scholar alumni from Liberia. A graduate of Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM), he majored in Mechanical Engineering with a master’s degree in the same field. While achieving high academic results, he completed both his bachelor and master’s degrees in a shorter duration than the average student. He shares his journey on attaining his personal goals with us.



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“The first and biggest challenge I faced was being away from home as I no longer had my family’s comforting presence for support whenever I needed it. Fortunately, I was able to overcome this after my first year of studies as I became more emotionally independent. I also learned how to manage my finances independently, which is crucial when you are away from home. Also, adjusting to a whole new culture was another challenge for me. There are huge differences in how we do things in Africa and how things are done in Asia. But as I observed people here, I understood that human diversities play a major role in our existence and present us with an opportunity to learn new things. I have to admit, it was tough to adapt but I managed to do so, and immersed myself in the local culture. With time, everything got a lot easier.

After my first year of studies, I thought to myself that I could do better. This was because as I

progressed with my studies, I felt like I was not tapping 100% of my potential so I decided to double my credits. Instead of doing 15 credits, I felt like I could do 20 to 25 credits. Once I finished my degree, I requested for an extension (to pursue a Master’s degree) because I saw an opportunity and decided to seize it. I finished my undergraduate degree a year early and they (YSD) presented an offer to me. They told me if I could finish my Master’s degree in 1 year, they would support my Master’s programme. I coped with the time limit, doubled my credits and successfully completed the two-year master’s programme within a year and graduated with first class honours. I think success is always about stretching yourself to the maximum. It is important to not see your limits as permanent. As a person, I am actually very stubborn. When people tell me “don’t do this”, or “you can’t do that”, it motivates me to stretch my limits and see what I can achieve.

Since I was very young, I was always self-motivated and hated being the second in class. In the middle of high school, I had to switch schools. Moving to a new school that had high achieving students made me push myself harder. At my old school, I was always top in class, but at this new school, I was only average. The students at my new school were all bright and just so excellent. When I joined the new school, I had

a reputation to uphold because everyone was saying that I “was the best of my old school.” I had to step up and studied every day. This was what shaped my work ethic.

During my studies under YSD’s scholarship, I realised that being a good engineer and an academician was crucial towards my development. I decided to focus more on doing my best to learn and understand my courses because one day, it will be me out there, not the grades or the scholarship. I worked longer hours at night, ensured all school tasks were completed before deadlines and studied earlier than the exam schedules. When I achieved a satisfactory grade, I rewarded myself by celebrating with friends. I made it a point to hang out with my friends and treated myself to a great dinner. That is how I motivated myself.

My dream is to pursue my PhD. If I can continue with my studies, I would like to one day teach at a university in Liberia and head a research centre, inventing new designs and theories. It will also delight me to work with established entities that are engaged with commerce or improving humanity, to help them solve problems and achieve their organisational goals for the greater good. It is my duty to contribute to society, so if I can assist by solving any issues involving relevant industries, then I am up for it.”

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Enfiniti Academy: Empowering Underprivileged Students through Performing Arts

In an effort to reduce gaps in access to quality education especially among underprivileged students, YSD through its partnership with The Enfiniti Academy has been supporting the English Speech and Drama workshops to hone students' communication skills in the English language using the medium of the performing arts.



The Enfiniti programme aims to improve English fluency among students from underprivileged and rural schools using the performing arts.

Puan Sri Tiara Jacqueline who helms the academy, has always been deeply committed to making a difference by turning the plights in education into opportunities of growth and ideas into reality.

"As the Group President and Founder of The Enfiniti Academy, it has always been my dream to improve access to arts education for all levels of our society. Our vision at Enfiniti Academy is to nurture future leaders of Malaysia who are creative, bold, imaginative, inspiring and be able to speak with confidence and conviction. English Speech and Drama Workshops for urban poor and rural schools is one of the best ways for us to help impart knowledge, change lives and open up a world of

possibilities especially for students of underprivileged background with limited access to quality education.

For me, it is truly rewarding to see students being immersed in a world of dramatic storytelling with the use of English language in a more exciting and relatable way for them. Due to the fun and non-judgmental approach of learning through drama, students are more open to learning English, which boosts their confidence in general. It is such a joy to see how teachers and students are always eager to see the Enfiniti Academy team again when they come back for the follow-up sessions!

Since 2017, this programme has been impacting over 3,000 students and 311 school teachers from 81 schools. Enfiniti Academy has also been awarded by the Ministry of Education (MOE) as an Outreach Partner for the Ministry's Highly Immersive Programmes (HIP) in 2017. On top of that, we were also recognised by Agensi Inovasi Malaysia to be included in their list of High Impact Social Enterprises for 2018.

Getting the buy-in of all stakeholders involved – from corporate supporters to the teachers in these rural schools – has not been easy. We are blessed to

have supportive stakeholders at various levels to make it happen despite the challenges. We are extremely thankful that YSD has provided us with a grant for 3 years in a row now, for us to continue this programme. We hope we can generate more funding in the future so we can continue to create changes in more schools.

We aim to reach out to another 50 schools next year, if funding permits. We hope that we can continue the momentum for our HIP English Speech and Drama Workshops so that more schools and students from underprivileged background can benefit from this programme. Together, one child at a time, we can all make a difference, for the future of our beloved Malaysia."



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YSD Special Needs Bursary Scholar: In a League of His Own

Mohamad Asri bin Arshad, 24, is a national footballer-cum-scholar of YSD Special Needs Bursary, hailing from the southern state of Johor. The legally blind student is currently enrolled in Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM) completing a Bachelor of Applied Language Studies (Hons.) English for Professional Communication.



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Sharing his fair share of struggles, inner battles and insecurities, Asri reveals how he learned to embrace his personality and overcame his challenges to become successful both in sports and academics.

“The biggest challenge I constantly face is the mental barriers I have to overcome especially since I have to interact with seeing students daily. Often, I would feel like I am not good enough or that I could become a burden to my groupmates. It is a constant battle to keep myself grounded in positivity and keep pushing forward in my daily life while giving my best. Overcoming negative mental chatter is quite difficult, but luckily, I have been dealing with it since young. Therefore, I have overcome it using different methods. A quote my mentor shared with me has kept me going: ‘You are neither as good as you think nor as bad as you think’. It implies that I’m neither superior

nor inferior to everyone around me. Each of us has our strengths and flaws. That is why we band together to compensate for our weaknesses, by helping out each other when we couldn’t do it on our own.

There were times I felt like giving up mainly because of what psychologists identify as the ‘comparison paradigm’. This happens when people compare themselves and their lives to others. Most of us are guilty of this unhealthy behaviour, but for me, the effect cuts deeper. I would often wish I could have other people’s lives instead of mine. Comparing oneself to others is a shortcut to unhappiness. However, when I start to compare myself to others, I would ask myself: ‘If you do have the chance to live their lives, will you be willing to accept the sacrifices, sufferings, rejections and insecurities they had to face to get what they have now?’ This question shifts my perspective from seeing only the better things others have, to considering the hardships they have gone through to get to where they are right now.

The common advice is to focus on your desires, dreams and ambitions. That approach works but for me, the desire to prove my doubters wrong gives me even more drive to succeed. Simply put, instead of using positive emotions, I used

negative ones to push me through tough times even though it felt impossible. It is scientifically proven that negative emotions and experiences are twice as powerful compared to positive ones. I used this approach to my advantage, and it has been working for me so far.

My family has always made a decent living. However, money has been a constant source of stress for my parents and for my married brother who is raising a young son. I’m the only family member who could take on more risks since I am still free from heavy obligations. I will do my level best to become the first person in my family to achieve financial freedom by making enough money to not worry about finances anymore. If one person manages to do it, I believe the future generation in my family will be able to replicate it or even go beyond that to raise our standard of living.

I cannot deny that my parents and my elder brother play a huge role in my life. I know I can fall back on them when I fail or make huge mistakes. As a ‘lone wolf’, I feel I perform best on my own or in a very small group; but sometimes, I need someone to provide me with a sense of security especially when I am about to take risks. Remember, you cannot succeed alone no matter how good you think you are. I learned that the hard way.”

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YSD Excellence Award Scholar: Expanding Horizons

Nik Zulhariz Bin Nik Fuaad, 28, is a YSD scholar alumni who hails from Penang. In 2014, he graduated from Carnegie Mellon University, USA majoring in Civil Engineering.



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managers are the first point of contact for the clients and are responsible for managing the sales and relationships. We are generalists, in the sense that we must understand every part of the business and use that knowledge to coordinate practical solutions across different departments, and ultimately drive more sales. Initially, I was responsible for managing existing international accounts. However, my role has now expanded to include developing new businesses.

Part of the joy in working here is that there are rarely two similar days. Some days, the commodities market could be going up sharply and I would be busy negotiating deals with our clients. On other days, I could be at a food exhibition in another country, convincing a prospect to source from us.

The breadth and depth of knowledge required is challenging to say the least. Understanding the commodities market, food safety regulations, food science and international trade guidelines are just some of the knowledge required to be a successful account manager. Additionally, the ability to work in a team is of utmost importance as no one person can deliver 350,000MT of oils to our clients alone.

Having lived abroad for quite some time, I realised that I am bound to face challenges along the way. However, whenever homesickness

rears its head, I bear in mind that every struggle along the journey is in fact an opportunity.

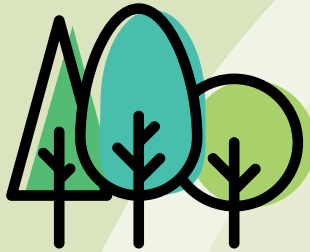
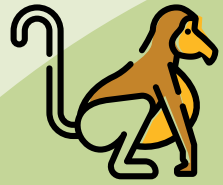
During my 1-year rotation for Group Corporate Assurance Department, we audited several palm oil estates and I learned more about the palm oil tree than at any other point during my whole career. Now that I am an account manager, that knowledge has helped me tremendously in understanding the palm oil market and its seasonality. More so than just reading books or from the web. Thus, do make full use of your early days in the company to make mistakes (within reason) and learn as much as possible!

I have been very lucky as I have been able to work with amazing colleagues and superiors. Everyone I met was very supportive, and that helped me progress quickly. Seek out guidance and help from your more experienced peers since they would most likely have had to face similar challenges before.

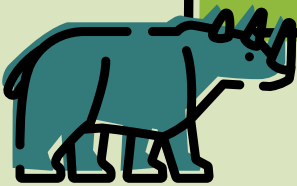
I believe that experiences and challenges I faced throughout my studying years in the USA and now in the Netherlands have helped me develop myself as an individual by learning various new skills, enhancing capabilities, creating new meanings in life and translating them into valuable memories that will be worth remembering for many years ahead.”

Currently based in the Netherlands, the Sime Darby Plantation employee and former recipient of the YSD Excellence Scholarship Award recalls the challenges and experiences of his life abroad.

“I am currently seconded to Sime Darby Oils Zwijndrecht Refinery as an account manager. Account



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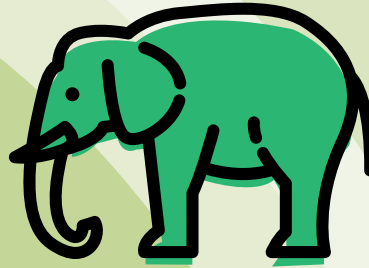
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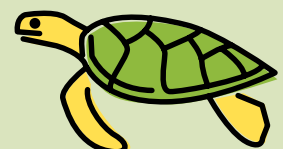
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YSD dedicates itself to the protection and preservation of the environment and conservation of biodiversity, while preserving landscape and seascape. Priority is given to vulnerable and/or endangered species and the preservation of forest reserves and marine parks. The Foundation supports world-class scientific research, with the aim of translating results into action, while developing highly capable local scientists, researchers and custodians. YSD also supports initiatives and campaigns that encourage and empower communities to live sustainably by adopting green and sustainable practices in their lifestyle.



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Preserving the Asian Elephants with Management and Ecology of Malaysian Elephants (MEME)

The year 2018 marks the 7th year of YSD support for the Management and Ecology of Malaysian Elephants (MEME) project to preserve Asian elephants; with a total commitment of RM5.26 million until December 2019.

Currently one of the leaders in MEME, Dr. Wong Ee Phin, 39, was the first YSD scholar under the MEME project and is also the Chapter President for the Society for Conservation Biology in Malaysia (SCB-Malaysia). She describes herself as a mid-career wildlife conservationist, an early-career academic and a young mother.



“As the Principal Investigator of MEME, I am charting out the next phase of MEME together with the team, talking to donors jointly with the Principal Investigator (Professor Ahimsa Campos-Arceiz), as well as helping to deliver current outputs. Often, I represent MEME in meetings and discussions with our stakeholders – the Department of Wildlife and National Parks Malaysia (PERHILITAN), various government ministries, the University of Nottingham Malaysia, as well as collaborators from non-governmental organisations and the private sector. I am also supervising several students who are carrying out research under MEME.

Life can get quite busy, and balancing family and conservation commitments is not easy.

However, I view these challenges as something that could turn into amazing adventures and fulfilling achievements. I believe both men and women in science face many

obstacles. Researchers must take calculated risks when it comes to field research and laboratory work. They must follow safety precautions, especially when dealing with wildlife and chemicals. They are under constant pressure to deliver results and ensure the knowledge in publications are up to date.

However, in Asia, women must contend with society’s expectations. Working in a jungle, for example, is deemed unsuitable for women. However, fortunately, in the conservation field, the ‘glass ceiling’ was broken a long time ago. Nevertheless, female researchers have additional concerns about safety. After having a baby, it took me some time to catch up on academics. I did well in my PhD research and even published a scientific paper in a respected international journal. After giving birth, however, I had to delay my

final submission and graduation by a year. I did not have the flexibility to be away from home until my son was a bit bigger.

My main challenge is to keep my own research going while expanding MEME’s research to crucial conservation areas. I must garner support from our main stakeholders to help MEME’s ongoing and future work. I used the training and exposure from my PhD period to engage with the government and media. I also channel my research interests by supporting my students in their studies. The support of MEME’s senior members and alumnus is also something I treasure as I consult them for advice from time to time.

I am still optimistic about the future of wild Asian elephants in Malaysia despite negative media reports about conservation.

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I believe Malaysia is in a very good position to save elephants due to several factors – good elephant populations in the wild, good remaining habitats, reliable experts, as well as the support from the public, government and private sectors for conservation. If we act together, our future generations will still get to see wild elephants. Human-elephant conflicts and poaching have drastically decimated the numbers of wild Asian elephants, and the situation in countries like Vietnam and Myanmar is not good. In Malaysia, I expect the recent focus on combatting poaching to save tigers to have a positive effect on other wildlife populations like elephants. Having said that, we still need to stay alert and focus on mitigating conflict and protecting habitat connectivity.”



YSD Governing Council Member Caroline Christine Russell setting up a camera trap with a fieldworker.

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Dr. Wong and her team engaging in fieldwork.

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Achieving Milestones in Tree Replantation

On 30 January 2019, the Sime Darby Jentar Plant-A-Tree project by YSD and Sime Darby Plantation Berhad (SDPL) reached a successful conclusion, celebrating another milestone under the Sime Darby Plant-A-Tree (SDPAT) programme to plant 1 million trees across Sime Darby Plantation’s operational areas by 2020.



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(L-R) YSD Governing Council Member Caroline Christine Russell, Sime Darby Plantation Berhad Deputy to Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer, Upstream (now SDPL Group Managing Director) Mohamad Helmy Othman Basha and FRIM Forest Biodiversity Director Dr. Lillian Chua with a replica of the guidebook on the ERT tree species planted in Jentar estate.

The closing ceremony of the project was held at Jentar Estate and attended by YSD Governing Council Member Caroline Christine Russell, SDPL Deputy Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer, Upstream Mohamad Helmy Othman Basha (now SDPL Group Managing Director), Pahang Forestry Department Deputy Director Dato’ Samsu Anuar Nawawi, and Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM) Director General Dato’ Dr. Abd Latif Mohmod.

The effort involved the planting of 60 threatened species on 160 hectares of land set aside by SDPL

in its Jentar estate in Pahang. FRIM was instrumental in supporting the project to develop a strategic plan aimed at conserving ERT forest plants and share knowledge on matters pertaining to the establishment, management and monitoring of these species and provided 18 ERT species to the project. Chairman of New Britain Palm Oil Limited, also the Independent Non-Executive Director of Sime Darby Plantation Berhad, Dato’ Henry Barlow, contributed a further 15 species to the project, out of which 7 are ERT species.



Sime Darby Plantation SQM officer Siti Norramalakmam Yahya explains the Sime Darby Jentar Plant-A-Tree project to visitors.

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germination and planting efforts towards increasing the population of these species.

In total, the Jentar Plant-A-Tree project contributes over 136,000 trees to more than 1.5 million trees already planted under four projects supported by SDPL in collaboration with YSD, which are the SDPAT programme, the reforestation and rehabilitation of Orangutan habitats in Northern Ulu Segama with the Sabah Forestry Department, the Kinabatangan RiLeaf Project with Nestlé Malaysia, and the peat swamp protection and rehabilitation project in the Raja Musa Forest Reserve with the Global Environment Centre.

Deemed as a pioneer project in conservation of endangered, rare and threatened (ERT) tree species, the project is the largest collection of ERT tree species in a single oil palm plantation area in Malaysia, and possibly South East Asia.

The planted areas of the project are near the adjacent Krau Wildlife Forest Reserve. The project also serves as a gene bank of rainforest trees and ERT species, potentially benefitting the surrounding ecosystem and intricate relationship between wildlife in the area and their natural habitat.

On 3 May 2019, the project reached another milestone when SDPL inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Pahang Forestry Department to facilitate forest conservation efforts in the state, including knowledge transfer and resource sharing related to reforestation efforts.

The project will also provide researchers, students, NGOs and governmental agencies with reference on the tree species planted in the estate in the form of a guidebook while access to precious ERT seeds will be given to FRIM and Pahang Forestry Department for

In her speech at the Jentar Plant-A-Tree closing ceremony, YSD Governing Council Member Caroline Christine Russell said following the success of the project in Jentar, YSD will continue its support for the SDPAT programme at the Sime Darby Plantation Kamuning estate in Sungai Siput, Perak. For this Plant-A-Tree "Creation of Stepping Stones" project, YSD has committed RM2 million for two years until 2021, towards the planting of 70,000 trees in 95ha of areas within the estate to connect forest patches and preserve wildlife habitats situated nearby the Kledang Saiong Permanent Forest Reserve.

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Preserving the Endangered Sea Turtles through TED

Liyana Izwin Khalid, 31, is the project coordinator for the Marine Research Foundation’s Turtle Excluder Device (TED) Programme. When not busy with the TED programme, she ventures out to Mantanani Island, Sabah for at least 3 times a year to conduct research on the impact of climate change on wild sea turtles.



Liyana and her team performing a laparoscopic procedure, a small surgery to determine the gender and life stage of a green turtle.

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On days when she is not busy with the TED programme, Liyana (right) and MRF Executive Director Dr. Nicolas Pilcher head over to Mantanani Island in Sabah to catch turtles for research and conservation efforts.

The TED programme is about mitigating incidental catch of endangered sea turtles in shrimp trawl fisheries through the use of TEDs. I lead the MRF team to raise the capacity of fishermen to adapt TEDs to their vessels and also train the Department of Fisheries officers to provide outreach and awareness for the TED Programme.

The only worry I had prior to working with the local fishermen was that they would refuse to work with us, as we are outsiders. As the fishing industry is male-dominated, I was also concerned that they would not want to work with a woman heading a fishing-related programme.

I thought that once the fishermen heard about the TED, an additional device that needs to be attached to their nets - they would not be interested to know more and would not attend our workshops. And even if they did step into the workshop, they would just walk off at the sight of a not-so-young lady leading it.

However, I thought wrong. The fishermen were extremely friendly and very keen to learn all about the TED, asking the right questions and raising concerns. When we were out at sea, they were willing to try the TED, see how it works while ensuring our safety at the same time. They even cooked for us whilst

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we were on board their vessels, and later even invited us over to their house for more *makan-makan!*

What I have learned working with the fishermen is that you must have good intentions, whoever you are. Fishermen are willing to listen to you and accept new ideas if it is to improve their lives. They took the trouble to understand that this is the programme's main goal, and not to make their lives more difficult.

On my end, to do an effective job, I had to learn to become a fisherman by understanding what they do and how they live their lives; and lastly, help them realise why is it important to take care of our ocean and marine life. One of the ways is by showing them that the TED not only saves turtles and helps to improve their catch; they will also have a healthier, sustainable fishing industry for the next generation to come.

The greatest threat to sea turtles would be when they become incidental catch in fishing gears and get entangled in nets, also known as being a bycatch. Sea turtles need to go to the surface to occasionally breathe. So, when it gets caught inside a trawl net for hours, it would not be able to swim to the surface to breathe, and would eventually drown.



Liyana introducing the TED to fishermen undergoing the MRF's TED programme.

The use of the TED on shrimp trawl nets is one of many solutions to address the threat of incidental catch of sea turtles. Although it has yet to be fully adopted nationwide, four states in the east coast of Peninsular Malaysia are already required by law to use the TED on their sea trawlers' net. This has already helped thousands of sea turtles from unintentionally being caught. MRF is working towards a nationwide adoption of the TED.

The other main problem faced by sea turtles is marine debris, especially plastic! Plastic can come in many forms – plastic bags, bottles, straws, packaging, food wrappers, etc. Big plastic bags may be mistaken for jellyfish, one

of the main foods for sea turtles. This mistake causes blockages in their digestive system and also eventually, death. In addition, with time, larger plastics degrade into smaller and more toxic pieces, or microplastics. If sea turtles ingest these particles, they can become sick or even starve.

We need to inform and encourage our family and friends to buy seafood from responsible fisheries. We also need to reduce the use of single-use plastics and get into the habit of saying no to plastics – be it in restaurants, shops, or even at home. It is as easy as bringing your own containers for food, recyclable shopping bags during shopping and grocery runs, and carrying your own metal straws. They say it takes 21 days to form a new habit, and why not start today as Day 1? We do have a greater awareness now than we had a couple of years back. All we must do now is to continue building up this awareness, support campaigns on the ban on plastic, and form the habit of not using single-use plastic. These simple acts can really make a significant impact!

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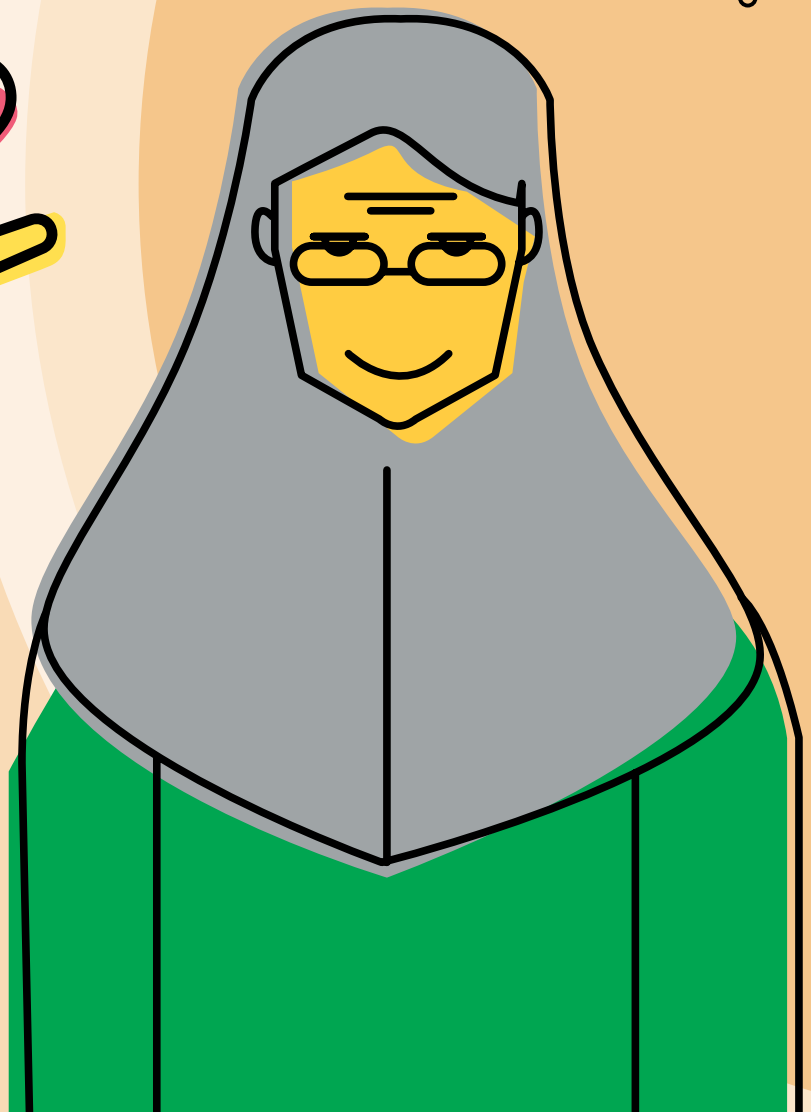
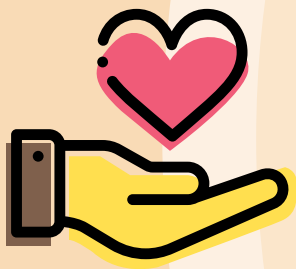


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YSD supports community-based programmes and sustainable initiatives intended to improve the wellbeing of disadvantaged people and reduce socio-economic disparities. YSD assists initiatives that promote national policy changes to protect the basic rights and improve the quality of life of disadvantaged and marginalised communities. YSD also encourages research and advocacy efforts towards improving community health.

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YSD Recognised for Excellence in Corporate Social Responsibility at the Tun Dr. Siti Hasmah Award Gala Dinner 2018

YSD was bestowed the prestigious Patron Award for Excellence in Corporate Social Responsibility at the Tun Dr. Siti Hasmah Award Gala Dinner 2018, in recognition of its efforts to support advocacy on HIV/AIDS and increase access to treatment for underprivileged people living with HIV/AIDS.



Datin Paduka Marina Mahathir and Prof. Datuk Dr. Adeeba Kamarulzaman at a media sensitisation workshop. Part of YSD advocacy grant for MAC goes to a series of capacity-building workshops for media practitioners to improve evidence-based reporting and shape public opinion on HIV and AIDS issues.

The gala dinner, held to celebrate individuals and organisations that have made significant contributions in HIV/AIDS prevention, care and support, was organised by the Malaysian AIDS Foundation (MAF) on 16 December 2018, after a six-year hiatus.

Among the VIPs who graced the event were former MAF Chairman Datin Paduka Marina Mahathir, Health Minister Datuk Seri Dr. Dzulkefly Ahmad, Ancom Berhad Executive Chairman Datuk Siew Ka Wei, human rights lawyer Datuk

Ambiga Sreenevasan and Hilton Malaysia Regional General Manager Jamie Mead.

YSD Chief Executive Officer Dr. Hjh. Yatela Zainal Abidin said while YSD is humbled to receive the recognition, more needs to be done to address issues related to HIV/AIDS.

She said this includes increased participation from more corporations to support initiatives by MAC and MAF. She emphasised the importance of such support by

citing the impact of YSD's assistance in said initiatives.

Under the Community & Health pillar, YSD has contributed RM6.4 million since 2013 for various initiatives led by MAC and MAF, such as advocacy work, the MAF Positive Audacious Living (PAL) Scheme second line - antiretroviral (ARV) treatment for underprivileged HIV patients, and community empowerment initiatives for people living with HIV (PLHIV) in Malaysia.

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YSD Governing Council Member Datin Paduka Zaitoon Dato' Othman (2nd from left) accepts the Patron's Award for Excellence in Corporate Social Responsibility awarded by MAC during the Tun Dr. Siti Hasmah Award Gala Dinner 2018. Also present is (left to right) MAF Chairman Prof. Datuk Dr. Adeeba Kamarulzaman and Datin Paduka Marina Mahathir.



A media sensitisation session is part of the numerous media capacity-building workshops organised by MAC, aimed at improving evidence-based reporting relating to HIV and AIDS issues.

The collaboration between YSD and MAF ensured the effective implementation of the harm reduction programme headed by MAC and MAF, especially through the Ministry of Health's (MOH) Needle Syringe Exchange Programme, which resulted in a

significant 50% decrease in new HIV infections.

YSD's six-year commitment of RM2.7 million to MAF has also benefitted 106 underprivileged Malaysians living with HIV nationwide to obtain second line - antiretroviral (ARV)

treatment free-of-charge at major government hospitals.

All these initiatives resulted in YSD being appointed as a member of the Country Coordinating Mechanism (CCM) for the Global Fund to fight HIV/AIDS in Malaysia, providing information and best practices to tackle the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the country.

Back in 2016, Sime Darby was bestowed the ASEAN Red Ribbon for Outstanding Workplace (ARROW) Award from the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Business Coalition on AIDS (BCA), in recognition of its non-discriminatory human resource policy and corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives.

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Helping Underprivileged Heart Disease Patients

Prof. Datuk Paduka Dr. Wan Azman Wan Ahmad, 61, is Malaysia’s top cardiologist who spearheads the noble initiative ‘Tabung YSD for Underprivileged Coronary Patients’, which aims to reach out to underprivileged patients nationwide who are financially constrained but are in critical need of coronary angioplasty.



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“It was 2013 when we first made contact with YSD and since then, the foundation has committed a total of RM5.5 million until January 2020.

For more than 6 years, it has been an incredible journey for our medical team at University Malaya Medical Centre. Most importantly, this fund has saved more than 700 lives and it is indeed heart-warming to work with like-minded corporate organisations, such as YSD, to save as many lives as possible.

Heart disease remains the leading cause of death amongst Malaysians. Most patients here are still very young compared to

those in countries like Thailand, China and Singapore. Usually, we have critically ill patients where chances of survival are slim, so this is when we usually perform the angioplasty procedure.

The coronary angioplasty intervention is a procedure that helps open clogged heart arteries. This procedure involves temporarily inserting an inflated tiny balloon into the clogged artery, to sufficiently widen it. Then, a stent is inserted to keep the artery open. Alhamdulillah, this procedure has reported a high rate of success of 96.6% and has been proven to save lives and salvage the heart muscle from further damage.

Currently, about 90% of underprivileged patients in Malaysia are unable to afford the angioplasty procedure. Some would opt for a second-line treatment, which is cheaper, but the success rate is merely 60%. I hope to expand the access to angioplasty treatment in other parts of Malaysia, including Sabah and Sarawak. Apart from providing medical aids to the needy, I hope



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to increase public awareness about heart disease and effectively reach out to local communities through the National Heart Association of Malaysia's pilot initiative known as the "MySTEMI Network Programme". This initiative advocates strong partnerships between cardiology centres and government hospitals.

Our collaboration with YSD is an eye-opener and a stimulus to forge similar collaborations in other parts of Malaysia on a bigger scale. Hopefully, more people will be

able to contribute and get involved, which in turn helps to establish more centres across the country. I sincerely hope that the impact of this programme will inspire other organisations to follow YSD's footsteps and open more doors for underserved patients."



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PROF. DATUK PADUKA DR. WAN AZMAN WAN AHMAD



Prof. Datuk Paduka Dr. Wan Azman and his team visiting YSD.

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A Clarion Call to Tackle Gender-Based Issues

On 8 March 2019, YSD observed International Women’s Day by organising the second installment of the YSD International Women’s Day (YSDIWD) celebration.



(L-R) Tanah Merah Plantation Mill Manager Nor Azian Anuar, Ms. Tan May Lee and Dr. Haliza Zurah Zulkefli share their real-life stories on how they gathered the courage and wisdom to confront gender-based issues to move forward in their lives.

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The event, which was co-organised by WAO, was attended by more than 160 employees from Sime Darby Plantation Berhad, Sime Darby Property Berhad and Sime Darby Berhad. It was held at the Sime Darby Plantation Auditorium in Sime Darby Plantation Tower, Ara Damansara.

The event was officiated by YSD’s newly appointed Chairman, Tunku Tan Sri Imran Tuanku Ja’afar.

“This year, YSD and WAO are making a clarion call with the event’s theme #WeForWomen. We wish to remind everyone gathered here today that it takes all of us, across all levels of society, to

protect, support and empower women who need help, or who simply need to be believed,” he said during his speech at the event.

Also in attendance were YSD Governing Council Member Caroline Christine Russell, Sime Darby Berhad Group Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and YSD Governing Council Member Dato’ Jeffri Salim Davidson, as well as Sime Darby Plantation Berhad Deputy to Managing Director and Upstream Chief Operating Officer Mohamad Helmy Othman Basha.

YSDIWD2019, which carried the theme #WeForWomen, is part of WAO’s #WeForWomen campaign. The campaign seeks to engage with multiple stakeholders to raise

awareness and educate all levels of society on how to respond immediately and appropriately to gender-based violence whilst supporting survivors.

One of the highlights of the event was the #WeForWomen forum session. The forum was moderated by actress and Enfiniti Academy course director Joanna Bessey and featured Malaysia’s first female Sports Commissioner and 1982 National Sportswoman Dato’ Zaiton Othman, former Senior Legal Counsel and Head of Prosecution of the Attorney General’s Chambers Dato’ Stanley Isaacs, Rumah Solehah Founder Matron Fadzilah Abdul Hamid, and Women’s Aid Organisation (WAO) Executive Director Sumitra Visvanathan.

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YSDIWD2019 also featured a sharing session with YSD CEO Dr. Hjh. Yatela Zainal Abidin, Yayasan Hasanah Trustee and Managing Director Shahira Ahmed Bazari and Yayasan Peneraju pioneer Raja Azura Raja Mahayuddin on the challenges they weathered before reaching their eminent positions in their respective charity foundations.

Survivors of domestic abuse shared their personal stories during a conversational forum to highlight the importance of laws to protect the rights of women.

The event also saw the launch of Sime Darby Plantation’s Female Development Programme, aimed at honing the skills of female employees towards making them leaders in their respective industries. It is the first programme of its kind to be implemented in the global palm oil industry.

A total of 7 female employees from Sime Darby Plantation, Sime Darby Property and Sime Darby Berhad were awarded the YSD Rising Star Award, in recognition of their accomplishments in their career fields.

YSD also celebrated its 10-year partnership with WAO at the event. YSD has been supporting WAO since 2010, with a total commitment of RM4.3 million for WAO’s Refuge Centre for Battered Women and their Children, advocacy work and the salaries of advocacy officers and social workers.

The partnership has led to the protection and assistance of almost 1,300 women at WAO’s Refuge Centre for Battered Women and their Children, the launch of a “Domestic Violence Shelter Standards and Toolkit” in 2016, and advocacy for law reforms and

enactments, including advocacy for a Gender Equality Act and laws to curb sexual harassment and stalking.

YSD’s partnership with WAO has also led to a collaboration with Sime Darby Plantation Berhad to carry out Workshops on Gender Issues at various estates nationwide. Up to July 2019, a total of 257 employees in 104 estates have participated in the workshops.

The workshops aim to empower management staff and employees at estates with knowledge about prevalent gender-based issues, such as domestic violence and sexual harassment, the rights of victims enshrined in various laws and subsequently, their available recourse.

The collaboration resulted in the development of a toolkit that could be also used by other interested companies to train their employees on appropriate ways to respond to gender-based issues.

YSD Rising Star Award Recipients

Sime Darby Plantation Berhad	Nor Azian Anuar, Tanah Merah Plantation Mill Manager
	Noraziah Saari, Layang Plantation Senior Assistant Manager
	Siti Zuwairiah Abdullah, Kerdu Plantation Senior Assistant Manager
Sime Darby Property Berhad	Noraliza Mohd Ali, ALYA Kuala Lumpur Township Head
	Cindy Wong Yuet Yi, Head of 2 townships
Sime Darby Berhad	Nurhamy A. Majid, Sime Darby Industrial Marine Head
	Amirozaina Abdul Rahim, Inokom Corporation Material and Production Planning Control Unit Head

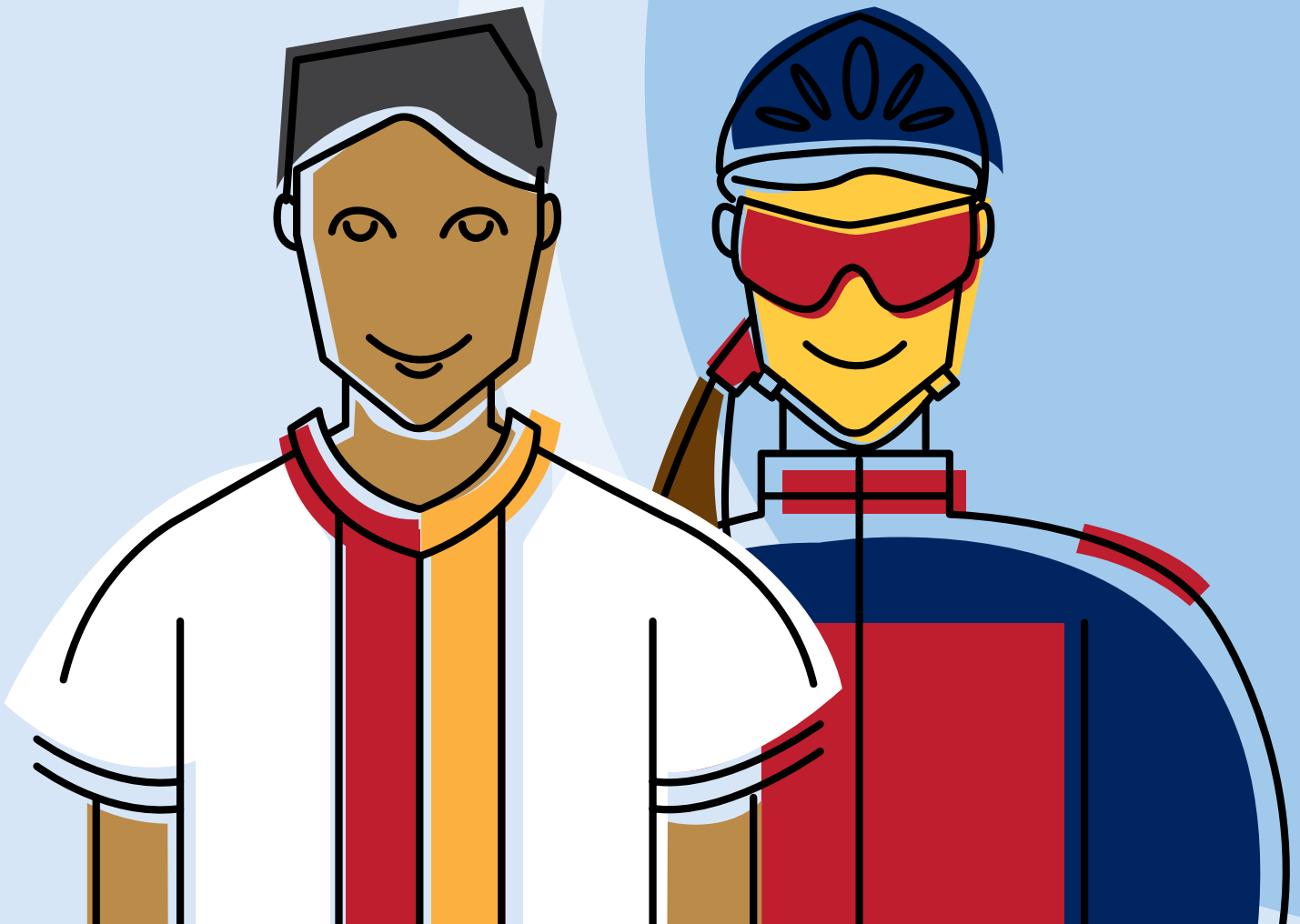
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Despite all the trials and tribulations that Yayasan Peneraju Pendidikan Bumiputera former CEO Raja Azura Raja Mahayuddin went through due to a debilitating medical condition, she took everything in stride with sheer resilience and willpower to thrive in life.



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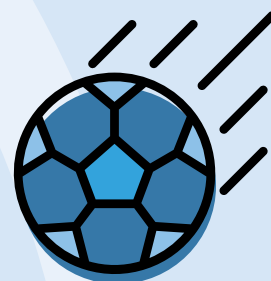
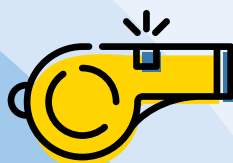
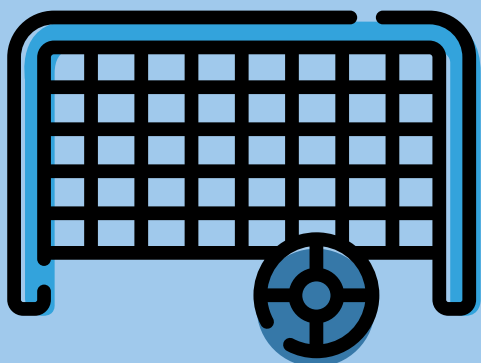
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RM192mil

The number of
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YSD supports grassroots initiatives that promote healthy living, unity and inclusion among children and youth, including disadvantaged and marginalised groups. The Foundation also supports grassroots and world-class athletes development programmes, especially those that focus on honing female sporting talent. Towards these ends, YSD makes available the resources to promote sporting activities to help youths realise their full potential; develop sports; cultivate role models who inspire unity, excel in sports and raise the standards of sports.

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Overcoming the Challenges in National Track Cycling Head-on

John Beasley, 57, has been coaching the Sime Darby Track Cycling Team (SDFTCT) since 2010.

I would love to see a lot more participation of male and female cyclists in track cycling in Malaysia. Unfortunately, this cannot be achieved anytime soon because currently, we just do not have the infrastructure or systems in place to be able to achieve this. I would also like to see a lot more races rolled out in Malaysia. A minimum of two track races a month gives the opportunity for athletes to master the craft of racing; something that is sadly missing at present.

The challenges currently faced by the track cycling sport are the lack of races, lack of athlete education, no cooking facilities to cook proper food for athletes at National Sports Council of Malaysia (MSN), and lack of structures outside of planned training sessions with athletes based in Kuala Lumpur.

We also have a massive issue with track cycling in Malaysia, where all our young athletes within the cycling programme have gone through the sports school system. The reason for this is because we do not have a club-based cycling structure set up in Malaysia at present. As such, we are potentially depriving 90% of the Malaysian population that go to mainstream schools from taking up the sport of track cycling. In lots of ways, we have an institutionalised system in Malaysia that needs to be looked at and changed at some point in the future.

With no time wasted, Anis Amira Rosidi has instantaneously transformed from an athlete new to the sport, to a world-class track cyclist achieving podium finishes in various international tournaments.



We can overcome these challenges by setting up a club-based system and roll it out in Malaysia, and building more basic infrastructure in each state of the country.

Currently, we overcome these challenges by removing our elite athletes from their comfort zones and placing them in a truly high-performance-training environment. This means we get them out of

Malaysia, to Melbourne. We have a great team of expertise supporting our Malaysian athletes in Melbourne, to give them the best chance possible to make a better life for themselves. Our team is instructed to educate, not just coach. Our whole programme is about teaching the athletes why they are doing things, while encouraging them to ask questions about their programme. This is

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all achievable because we have a great group of highly motivated staff who are the best in the world, in their field. They all have great personalities and communication skills as well. Our mission is to lead these young Malaysian athletes out of being a follower and teach them skills to become a leader. This is the first stage of becoming a high-performance athlete, where athletes are challenged whilst being supported at the same time. They learn that if they want to better themselves, they must be prepared to make sacrifices and be challenged. Our job is to make sure these young Malaysians become a better version of themselves. We do not force anyone to do anything as it is their life, their career. We are all here solely to lead these young Malaysians through education, whilst at the same time, balance the skills between life and sport in a holistic fashion as much as possible.

My hope is for Malaysia to continue taking steps forward to become more competitive across all forms of track cycling on the international stage. It has been proven that Malaysians can do it, and I just hope that the structures and processes that we have put in place continue to be followed as a blueprint for success for a long time to come.

I also hope that Malaysia continues the investment we have put into many of our young ex-cyclists who have now become extremely good coaches, whom I am very proud of. If our young coaches continue to work hard and self-educate, Malaysia will then be in a great place for a long time to come.



(R-L) John Beasley, Anis Amira Rosidi, Tunku Tan Sri Imran Ibni Almarhum Tuanku Ja'afar, Muhammad Shah Firdaus Sahrom and Muhammad Fadhil Zonis.



John has been coaching the SDF Track Cycling Team since 2010.

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Reaching out to Sarawakian Youth through Midnight Football

Realising the need for a holistic sports development programme for socially disadvantaged youths, YSD embarked on supporting the Midnight Football Development Programme by Global Peace Festival Malaysia Berhad (GPFM).



Midnight football participants and coaches in a group photo with (from centre, L-R) Malaysia's former Olympian, Ms. Noraseela Mohd Khalid, Global Peace Foundation CEO Dr. Teh Su Thye, YSD Chairman, Y.A.M. Tunku Tan Sri Imran Ibni Almarhum Tuanku Ja'afar, YSD CEO, Dr. Hj. Yatela Zainal Abidin and YSD Head of Projects, Tunku Putri Afifah Tunku Anor during the 2nd Leadership Camp of the Midnight Football Programme at the Borneo Tribal Village in Bau, Sarawak.

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The Midnight Football Development Programme aims to develop resilience among at-risk urban youths in Serian, Sarawak through the sport. It focuses on character building and leadership training to help them develop pathways for a better future while addressing issues such as juvenile crimes and delinquency.

GPFM is an international, non-profit organisation that promotes innovative, values-based approach towards peace-building. They believe that youths, regardless of their background, could feel more valued, confident and empowered to achieve their goals via initiatives that enable them to do so.

GPFM chose the term "midnight" as part of the programme's title to reclaim the hour of the day when at-risk youths would occupy themselves with vice activities.

Under the programme, four separate activities were conducted – Football Training and Tournament, Character Building Workshop, Leadership Camp, as well as Stakeholders Engagement Workshop and Psychological Training.

To ensure the effectiveness of the programme, GPFM has engaged with more than 200 important stakeholders in the participants' lives, such as their parents, teachers



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and community members to find the best way to conduct the intervention process. It believes these stakeholders play important roles in ensuring the youths would gain support not just from the programme but also at school, at home and within their community.

Through GPFM's existing cooperation with Asian Football Confederation (AFC), the coaches are screened and selected based on their experience and abilities to cultivate positive characteristics

among the participants. GPFM provides the coaches with various toolkits to nurture the youths and monitor their progress, as well as knowledge on child rights and protection.

The programme also serves as a platform for participants to join the Allianz Junior Football Camp (AJFC) Malaysia League, sports school as well as the Football Association of Sarawak - U19 team for potential career opportunities in football.

YSD is supporting the programme until December 2019 for a period of one year, with a commitment of RM320,000.

The Foundation's support towards the programme falls under its Sports pillar. Through the pillar, YSD aims to encourage active lifestyles, cultivate a sporting culture and develop sports, such as football.



Character-building workshops help develop youths' communication skills and creative thinking.



Global Peace facilitator Koh Xiu Heng having a heart-to-heart session with some of the Midnight Football participants.

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Providing World-Class Cricket Facilities

YSD celebrated the official opening of a new world-class cricket complex in Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) named the UKM-YSD Cricket Oval in Bangi, Selangor on 7 January 2019.



The UKM-YSD cricket oval located on the grounds of UKM was launched on 7 January 2019.

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YSD Governing Council Member Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Wan Mohd Zahid Mohd Noordin officiated the much-anticipated opening of the cricket oval.

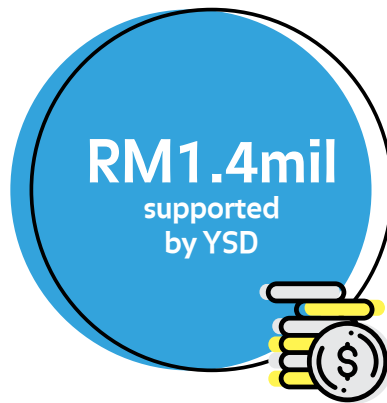
“With our support, we see this facility as an opportunity for Malaysia to fulfil its aspiration of serving as a test country in cricket, by ensuring that there are sufficient world-class facilities to host international tournaments,” he said during his speech at the event.

Dubbed as one of the best cricket fields in Malaysia, the UKM-YSD Cricket Oval, which has natural wicket blocks and natural grass, has been given the stamp of approval



A cricket match taking place at the UKM-YSD Cricket Oval.

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by the International Cricket Council (ICC). The cricket pavilion can accommodate 300 people, 2 changing rooms for teams, a VIP room and a dining hall, among other facilities.

YSD sponsored RM1.4 million, or 58% of the total construction cost of RM2.4 million. The support for the world-class cricket facility is part of YSD’s long-term contribution towards cricket development in Malaysia.

The establishment of this facility will allow UKM to host more international cricket tournaments, hence providing much-needed opportunities for aspiring Malaysian cricket players to thrive in their careers. Since the completion of the oval in 2018, UKM has hosted 2 international tournaments – the ICC World Cricket League Division 4 and the Asia Cup Qualifier as well as 3 national-level tournaments.

The Foundation began supporting cricket since 2011 via a grassroots programme carried out by Malay Cricket Association of Malaysia (MCAM) and the Kuala Lumpur Cricket Association (KLCA) until 2017.

YSD has partnered with UKM since 2011 and collaborated on various impactful projects under the

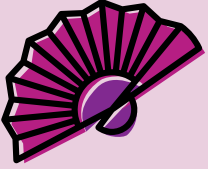


Environment, Education, Sports and Community & Health pillars with a total commitment of more than RM24 million.

This includes the construction of the cricket oval, the UKM-YSD Chair for Sustainable Development (Zero

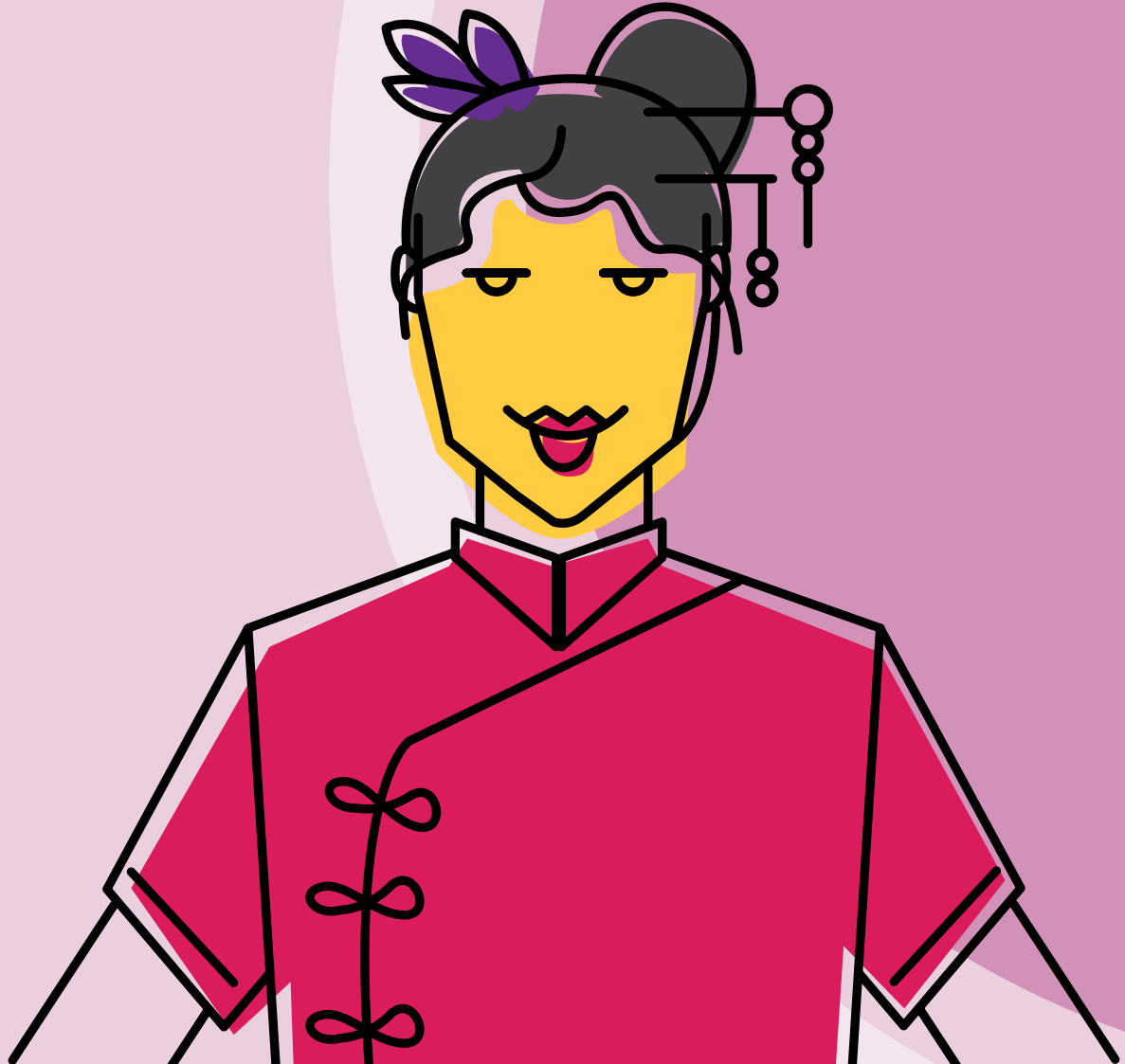

Waste), UKM-YSD Chair for Climate Change, the Hear and Be Heard Programme in collaboration with UKM’s I-Hears Institute, the UKM-YSD Sustainable Development Chair Scholarships and the Experience Works programme.



(L-R) UKM Pro-chancellor YABhg. Tun Ahmad Sarji Abdul Hamid, YSD Governing Council Member YBhg. Tan Sri Dato’ Seri Dr. Wan Mohd Zahid Mohd Noordin and UKM Vice Chancellor YBhg. Prof. Ir. Dr. Mohd. Hamdi Abd Shukur during the officiation of UKM-YSD Cricket Oval.



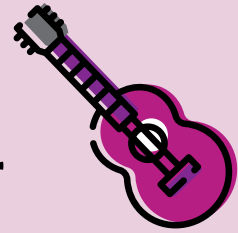
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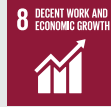


Culture

YSD supports the development of a vibrant arts community in Malaysia's multi-cultural society, which includes projects and activities in the arts and traditional heritage preservation. YSD sponsors initiatives that encourage the development of arts and culture, and expand the demand for the arts whilst providing the industry with educational opportunities to enhance the knowledge and skills that contribute to the richness of a cultural heritage that is uniquely Malaysian. This includes artistic endeavours that touch on its five pillars. YSD also supports collaborations that provide platforms to promote local arts and emerging artistes to achieve local and international recognition.

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Preserving Malay Literature through Theatre Scriptwriting

Siti Jasmina Ibrahim is an award-winning professional writer and an important figure in the local arts industry. Under a theatre project dubbed *Bangsawan Dendam Laksamana (BDL)*, a collaboration between Yayasan Sime Darby and Pat Ibrahim Project Entertainment Sdn Bhd (PIPE), she was assigned as the scriptwriter.

“My passion in creative writing has led me to obtain a diploma in Creative Writing from the Akademi Seni Budaya Dan Warisan Kebangsaan (ASWARA) or the National Arts Academy, then a bachelor’s degree in Human Communication from Universiti Putra Malaysia (UPM), followed by a Master’s degree in Creative Arts with honours.

At ASWARA, I learned about the essence and disciplinary aspects of creative writing for short stories, novels, dramas, TV, films, documentaries as well as arts and literary programmes. Having learnt

creative writing and being involved extensively in this writing genre improved my knowledge in this field tremendously.

My portfolio of literary works began with short stories and literary novels, but becoming a playwright diversified my portfolio by adding materials for prime theatres and experiments. Additionally, I also write scripts for telemovies, drama series, documentaries and magazines. It was way back



“Writing can be a tricky task – from brainstorming, choosing the right words, typing, editing every part of the written piece and to finally having the draft ready. The challenge is to produce a work that could help explore new values throughout the entire process.”

SITI JASMINA



Siti Jasmina sharing her insights during the launch of the Jerayawara Pekan Bangsawan Warisan Budaya tour.

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(L-R) Siti Jasmina, Malaysian Actors Dato' Jalaluddin Hassan and Dato' Ahmad Tarmimi Siregar, Founder of PIPE Pat Ibrahim, YSD Governing Council Member Datin Paduka Zaitoon Dato' Othman, YSD CEO Dr. Hjh. Yatela Zainal Abidin and representatives from Jabatan Kebudayaan dan Kesenian Negara (JKKN) at the launch of the Jerayawara Pekan Bangsawan Warisan Budaya Tour.

in 1997 when I began writing short stories and my first piece of work was published in a local newspaper. One of my short stories earned me a Literary Award (Hadiah Sastera) from YTL and Berita Minggu. I also bagged six literary awards from 1999 to 2005 for several short stories I wrote.

My work continued to flourish year on year and in 2017, a young adult fiction novel I wrote was appraised by literary panels, and I subsequently earned a literary award. Following that, my success stories gained widespread attention, especially among TV producers who then offered me scriptwriting opportunities. I also received offers to write for the stage and drama column in Dewan Sastera magazine by Dewan Bahasa dan Pustaka (DBP), and since then my work became more varied in terms of platform and medium.

My involvement in writing the script for BDL was an interesting and challenging experience. The biggest challenge was when Pat Ibrahim entrusted me with writing

a classical Malay literature script, while preserving as much as possible, the intricacy and values of the fine arts. Even though difficult, I improved and matured in my writing skills. My passion for writing stage dramas fueled my drive to complete the BDL script from the first to the tenth draft. Many forms of Malay poetry, such as 'pantun', 'peribahasa', 'syair' as well as Malay literature helped craft the BDL script.

Writing can be a tricky task – from brainstorming, choosing the right words, typing, editing every part of the written piece and to finally having the draft ready. The challenge is to produce a work that could help explore new values throughout the entire process. Externally, the challenges for a writer would be matters on income and payment process. In Malaysia, although professional work within the creative industry is high in demand, the payments are below average while the agreements or contracts are unprofessionally negotiated or even unethical. This gives unnecessary stress to those in the arts field.

Nevertheless, the field of performing arts in Malaysia has grown exponentially in terms of involvement of different age groups; especially after higher education institutions have been churning out more quality and well-rounded art graduates. The problem that stunts the industry's development is the low turn-out as reflected by the low number of tickets sold. Malaysia is not as populous as Indonesia, China and India; only 10-20% of the Malaysian population are arts enthusiasts. Hence, the creative industry cannot thrive solely from ticket sales. Sustainable funding is therefore necessary to ensure the continuity of quality productions that would elevate industry standards.

I truly hope in the future, Malaysia would have a thriving arts scene. With more integrity from industry players and stakeholders, as well as a society that believes in the power of the arts, our artistes and their work will gain international recognition."

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Developing Toolkits for Creative Hubs

Under the Hubs for Good project, a collaboration between YSD and the British Council where University of Malaya (UM) is a partner, Dr. Roslina Ismail manages the UM team to deliver the programme toolkit, the website and a research titled Creative Hubs in Malaysia - Mapping Sustainability.



Dr. Roslina (Bottom, far right) and representatives of creative hubs during the Hubs for Good capacity workshop in March 2019.

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The study’s objective is to understand sustainability by developing an analytical framework that combines fieldwork (interviews and participant observations) across Malaysia, policy reviews, as well as archival research. The research findings will contribute to the development of toolkits for those interested in starting their own creative hub.

Dr. Roslina, 50, is the Deputy Director for Research and Postgraduate Studies at University Malaya Cultural Centre while lecturing for the Visual Arts

programme. She is also an Allied Research Fellow at the Institute of Microengineering and Nanoelectronics (IMEN), the National University of Malaysia (UKM) as well as a member of a task force for arts-science initiatives by Academy Science Malaysia (ASM), a think tank for both the scientific and artistic communities to spearhead a transdisciplinary ecosystem in Malaysia. A trained engineer specialising in nanotechnology, Dr. Roslina discovered her passion for the visual arts much later. She has since obtained a Masters in Fine Art and Technology, majoring in

Painting, from Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), Shah Alam.

“I started my professional art career later in life, but I do not consider it as a setback. I believe that my career in science and life experiences are essential to the expressions of my work. My art speaks for my ideas and views of abstraction, a visual language that I believe is most suitable to highlight the points of correspondence between my intuition and logic. I have always been fascinated with the dual concept of art and science, and

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how they influence one another. I found that creating art provides avenues to creatively express myself. It is also a safe space for experimentation and exploration of new possibilities.

After completing my Masters in 2017, I actively took part in art shows and exhibitions in the Malaysian art scene. With other like-minded artists and scientists, I founded the Sphaera Incubation Program© which is a four-phase programme initiated under the UM Cultural Centre. The programme offers a platform for artists and scientists to collectively prospect principle questions and methods that can lead to imaginative research. It represents the idea of symbiotic connection between intuitiveness of the creative process and the empirical structure of science.

Managing the team at UM, we found that the main challenge in creating a toolkit that aids the development of a creative hub is to avoid it from being too prescriptive, as it would then

end up as a standard guideline that impedes creativity in finding solutions that should be tailored to the uniqueness of the specific hubs and ecosystem. In a general sense, a toolkit acts as a practical tool that triggers and supports innovation. It aids practitioners to invent, adapt and adopt ideas that deliver better results. A creative hub toolkit can be based on certain theories of social management anchored to social innovation. An effective toolkit can bring about systemic change that gives maximum impact to ensure a hub's sustainable and adaptable growth.

My personal goals for the future are: to be more resilient in overcoming adversity and more mindful of others; to work on a growth mindset and to achieve synergistic balance between work, life as well as the practice as an artist. My hope for small creative hubs is for them to have the support they need to be more resilient, to sustain themselves within their environment, and to be able to respond to the needs of their community."



"I found that creating art provides avenues to creatively express myself. It is also a safe space for experimentation and exploration of new possibilities."

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A sharing session during the Hubs for Good capacity workshop.

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An Arts Hub that Leverages on Team Spirit and Strong Principles

Ang Yue May has been part of Kuala Lumpur Performing Arts Centre (klpac) since its inception. As part of the management team, she plays a key role in raising the profile of the arts hub and ensuring its smooth operations.



klpac is a fully-integrated performing arts centre with 7,614 sq metres of built up space comprising of various facilities.

We are in the middle of The Actors Studio's 30th anniversary celebrations, which started last year and will continue throughout this year. Thirty years is almost like a lifetime in the arts industry and a truly remarkable milestone that not many arts organisations in Malaysia has achieved. With almost 50 productions under TAS30 celebrations, some that are coming up include many well-known and well-loved classics as well as groundbreaking new works, such as the multi-award winning *Kandang* (April), *Transitions* (May), *Stories for Amah* (June), *Thunderstorm* (July) and *A Man for All Seasons* (December).

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I started off doing Marketing Communications in the Information Technology (IT) industry, which turned out to be a great base to learn the tricks of the trade. I made the switch in 2005 when I chanced upon an opening at klpac, the same year the arts centre opened its doors.

Our team's portfolio is rather broad-based as it looks after the needs of klpac and The Actors Studio as well as all the entities and offerings that fall under both organisations be it shows, courses and programmes. This includes branding, communications, public relations and media liaison, stakeholder management, outreach and community engagement.

Besides marketing, I also look after sponsorship, partnerships and engage in relationship management, case building and resource development. On a bigger picture level, I work with klpac co-founders Joe Hasham OAM, Dato' Faridah Merican and the rest of the senior management on policy evaluation and decision-making on matters that determine the future of both organisations.



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One of the performances during the YSD Arts Festival at klpac in 2018.

At the same time, we are also looking into increasing the earning capacity of klpac, which includes having several designated fundraising shows to ease klpac's RM4.4 million operational cost. We are also looking at a drop in sponsorships, along with other new revenue generation schemes and ideas including rejuvenating klpac's proposition as an ideal and attractive venue space.

We are also working ahead, preparing for the much-anticipated biennial Yayasan Sime Darby Arts Festival in 2020 as well as other major projects, including Rashomon in 2020. We are working towards the launch of TUTAS, a joint effort between The Actors Studio and Taylor's University, which will offer Malaysia's first performing arts conservatory degree programme, thus fulfilling a lifelong wish and dream of Joe and Faridah to tie up with a higher learning institute.

We do a lot with very little. Funding and resources are always very scarce (in the arts industry) and yet the expectations are very high, whether it is from your sponsors or internally as an organisation because we are not doing this just for fun. We want to make an impact, we want to make a change, we want to push forward (the local arts industry). There is an urgency and weight to this, all that we carry day in and day out.

You are only as good as your team and principles. In difficult times, these are the two main things that ground and guide us, aside from the belief in what we do and the need to keep moving forward. We consider klpac and The Actors Studio our extended family. In moments of crisis, we have always adopted Joe and Faridah's philosophy, which is to focus on what really matters and what counts, even if it means pushing aside all the noise and distraction. So far, this modus operandi has always worked and has seen us through countless

turbulent times. Also, a cup of coffee or ice cream and some laughs help. We are all about coffee and ice cream breaks.

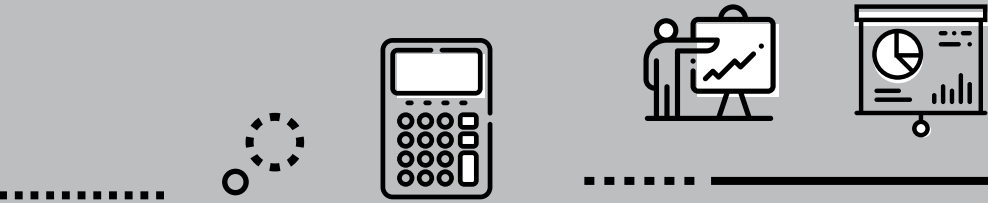
Our goal is to build more sustainability into the arts and what we do, as well as in my own team, so that the work can carry on even without us being here.

Being involved in the arts has shifted my perspective on many things. It has opened my eyes to a wider world, afforded me opportunities to learn and grow at every corner. Every day is a new experience. This has greatly impacted my role as a parent as I pass on this broadened view to my son, opening him up to greater possibilities. Our work is also very much human-centered and though this human aspect or element is often present and all-important, it is almost always neglected or forgotten in the drudgery of life, work and achieving milestones. However, we are constantly reminded of it because of the work we do and that affects your outlook in life.

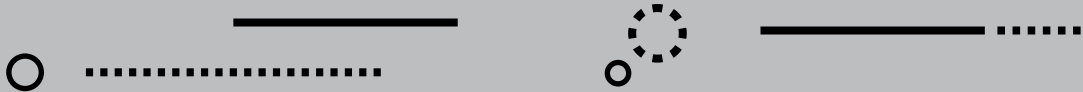
While we have a fast-growing industry bursting with talent and offerings, I hope that the support network from corporates, the government and general public grow at a pace to match it, whether it is in terms of funding, audiences and/or appreciation.

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GOVERNING COUNCIL'S REPORT

The Governing Council hereby submits its report together with the audited financial statements of Yayasan Sime Darby ("the Yayasan") for the financial year ended 30 June 2019.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The Yayasan is principally engaged in receiving and administering funds to award scholarships or loans for educational purposes, promote recreational and sporting activities, undertake environmental conservation and sustainability projects and other related activities for the benefit of the community. There was no significant change in the nature of these activities during the financial year.

The Yayasan is incorporated in Malaysia as a company limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

	RM
Excess of income over expenditure	34,727,574

RESERVES AND PROVISIONS

There were no material transfers to or from reserves and provisions during the financial year.

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GOVERNING COUNCIL MEMBERS

The members of the Governing Council ("Directors") in office during the financial year and during the period from the end of the financial year to the date of the report are:

Y.A.M. Tunku Tan Sri Imran Ibni Almarhum Tuanku Ja'afar	(Appointed on 12 February 2019)
Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Wan Mohd Zahid Mohd Noordin	
Tan Sri Dato' Seri Mohd Bakke Salleh	
Datin Paduka Zaitoon Dato' Othman	
Caroline Christine Russell	
Dato' Jeffri Salim Davidson	(Appointed on 16 August 2018)
Dato' Sri Amrin Awaluddin	(Appointed on 16 August 2018 and resigned on 3 May 2019)

DIRECTORS' BENEFITS AND REMUNERATION

During and at the end of the financial year, no arrangements subsisted to which the Yayasan is a party, with the object or objects of enabling Directors of the Yayasan to acquire benefits by means of the acquisition of shares in, or debentures of, the Yayasan or any other body corporate.

Since the end of the previous financial year, no Director has received or become entitled to receive a benefit by reason of a contract made by the Yayasan or a related corporation with the Director or with a firm of which he or she is a member, or with a company in which he or she has a substantial financial interest except that certain Directors received remuneration as Directors or employees of related corporations.

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DIRECTORS' INTERESTS IN SHARES AND DEBENTURES

According to the Register of Directors' Shareholdings required to be kept under Section 59 of the Companies Act 2016, none of the Directors who held office at the end of the financial year held any shares or debentures in the Yayasan during the financial year.

STATUTORY INFORMATION ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- (a) Before the financial statements of the Yayasan were prepared, the Directors took reasonable steps:
- i. to ascertain that proper action had been taken in relation to the writing off of bad debts and the making of provision for doubtful debts, and satisfied themselves that all known bad debts had been written off and that adequate provision had been made for doubtful debts; and
 - ii. to ensure that any current assets, which were unlikely to be realised in the ordinary course of business including the values of current assets as shown in the accounting records of the Yayasan, had been written down to an amount which the current assets might be expected so to realise.
- (b) At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances:
- i. which would render the amounts written off for bad debts or the amount of the provision for doubtful debts inadequate to any substantial extent; or
 - ii. which would render the values attributed to current assets in the financial statements of the Yayasan misleading; or
 - iii. which have arisen which render adherence to the existing method of valuation of assets or liabilities of the Yayasan misleading or inappropriate.
- (c) At the date of this report:
- i. there are no charges on the assets of the Yayasan which have arisen since the end of the financial year which secures the liabilities of any other person; and
 - ii. there are no contingent liabilities in the Yayasan which have arisen since the end of the financial year.
- (d) At the date of this report, the Directors are not aware of any circumstances not otherwise dealt with in the report or the financial statements of the Yayasan which would render any amount stated in the financial statements misleading.
- (e) No contingent or other liability has become enforceable or is likely to become enforceable within the period of twelve months after the end of the financial year which, in the opinion of the Directors, will or may affect the ability of the Yayasan to meet its obligations when they fall due.

**GOVERNING
COUNCIL'S
REPORT
(CONTINUED)**

STATUTORY INFORMATION ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

- (f) In the opinion of the Directors:
- i. the results of the operation of the Yayasan during the financial year were not substantially affected by any item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature; and
 - ii. no item, transaction or event of a material and unusual nature has arisen in the interval between the end of the financial year and the date of this report which is likely to affect substantially the results of the operation of the Yayasan for the financial year in which this report is made.

AUDITORS' REMUNERATION

Details of auditors' remuneration are set out in the Statement of Comprehensive Income and Expenditure.

AUDITORS

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers PLT (LLP0014401-LCA & AF 1146), have expressed their willingness to accept re-appointment as auditors.


This report was approved by the Governing Council on 20 September 2019. Signed on behalf of the Governing Council:

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**Y.A.M. TUNKU TAN SRI IMRAN IBNI
ALMARHUM TUANKU JA'AFAR**

DIRECTOR



**TAN SRI DATO' SERI DR. WAN MOHD
ZAHID MOHD NOORDIN**

DIRECTOR

Selangor
20 September 2019

STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS PURSUANT TO SECTION 251(2) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2016

We, Y.A.M. Tunku Tan Sri Imran Ibni Almarhum Tuanku Ja'afar and Tan Sri Dato' Seri Dr. Wan Mohd Zahid Mohd Noordin, two of the Directors of Yayasan Sime Darby, do hereby state that, in the opinion of the Directors, the financial statements set out on pages 74 to 98 are drawn up so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Yayasan as at 30 June 2019 and financial performance of the Yayasan for the financial year ended 30 June 2019, in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards, International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia.

Signed on behalf of the Governing Council in accordance with a resolution of the Governing Council dated 20 September 2019.

**Y.A.M. TUNKU TAN SRI IMRAN IBNI
ALMARHUM TUANKU JA'AFAR**

DIRECTOR

**TAN SRI DATO' SERI DR. WAN MOHD
ZAHID MOHD NOORDIN**

DIRECTOR

Selangor
20 September 2019

STATUTORY DECLARATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 251(1) OF THE COMPANIES ACT 2016

I, Yatela Zainal Abidin, the Officer primarily responsible for the financial management of Yayasan Sime Darby, do solemnly and sincerely declare that the financial statements set out on pages 74 to 98 are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, correct and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true, and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act, 1960.

YATELA ZAINAL ABIDIN

Subscribed and solemnly declared by the above named Yatela Zainal Abidin at Selangor, Malaysia on 20 September 2019.



COMMISSIONER FOR OATHS **B-1-08, Blok B, Oasis Square,
Ara Damansara, Jalan PJU 1A/7A.**



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF YAYASAN SIME DARBY

(Incorporated in Malaysia as a company limited by
guarantee and not having a share capital)
(Company No: 85945-W)

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of Yayasan Sime Darby ("the Yayasan") give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Yayasan as at 30 June 2019, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the financial year then ended in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards, International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia.

What we have audited

We have audited the financial statements of the Yayasan, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2019, and the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure, statement of changes in general fund and statement of cash flows for the financial year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of principal accounting policies, as set out on pages 74 to 98.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence and other ethical responsibilities

We are independent of the Yayasan in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("By-Laws") and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants ("IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the By-Laws and the IESBA Code.



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF YAYASAN SIME DARBY (CONTINUED)

(Incorporated in Malaysia as a company limited by
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(Company no: 85945-w)

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Information other than the financial statements and auditors' report thereon

The Directors of the Yayasan are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises Governing Council's Report, which we obtained prior to the date of this auditors' report, and the Yayasan Sime Darby Annual Report 2019, which is expected to be made available to us after that date. Other information does not include the financial statements of the Yayasan and our auditors' report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements of the Yayasan does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements of the Yayasan, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements of the Yayasan or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed on the other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditors' report, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the financial statements

The Directors of the Yayasan are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements of the Yayasan that give a true and fair view in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards, International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia. The Directors are also responsible for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements of the Yayasan that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements of the Yayasan, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Yayasan's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Yayasan or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Yayasan as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF YAYASAN SIME DARBY (CONTINUED)

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REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

- (a) Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of the Yayasan, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- (b) Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Yayasan's internal control.
- (c) Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- (d) Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Yayasan's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements of the Yayasan or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Yayasan to cease to continue as a going concern.
- (e) Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of the Yayasan, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

OTHER MATTERS

This report is made solely to the members of the Yayasan, as a body, in accordance with Section 266 of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.

PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS PLT
LLP0014401-LCA & AF 1146
Chartered Accountants

PAULINE HO
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Chartered Accountant

Kuala Lumpur
20 September 2019

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

	Note	2019 RM	2018 RM
INCOME			
Donations from Sime Darby Companies	14(a)	80,000,000	40,000,000
Donations from third parties		-	4,000
Profit sharing from mudharabah accounts		3,332,907	1,584,578
Interest from bank current account		62,669	115,435
Scholarship refunds		2,384,272	2,855,323
Corporate social responsibility expenses refunds		55,160	-
Accretion of discount		59,153	93,288
Membership fees		-	200,000
Gain on disposal of plant and equipment		-	1,331
		85,894,161	44,853,955
LESS: EXPENDITURE			
Corporate social responsibility expenses:			
- Community & Health		10,664,114	11,325,297
- Education:			
- Scholarship expenses		16,037,785	19,976,572
- Education development		2,976,609	3,321,897
- Environment		8,924,877	11,520,468
- Sports		3,068,593	25,925,588
- Arts & Culture		2,714,371	4,235,049
Discount on loans receivable		144,389	8,594
Impairment/(reversal of impairment) of loans receivable, net		1,915,968	(100,260)
Audit fees		8,000	7,500
Travelling and accommodation		5,743	5,534
Staff costs	6	3,590,030	3,894,239
Rental of office building		360,000	348,705
Rental of vehicles		101,038	101,519
Training expenses		11,577	-
Printing and stationery		87,212	92,695
Depreciation		32,903	32,517
Donations from Sime Darby Companies written off	14(a)	-	114,397,791
Other administrative expenses		523,378	664,629
		51,166,587	195,758,334
EXCESS/(DEFICIT) OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE BEFORE TAXATION		34,727,574	(150,904,379)
TAXATION	7	-	-
EXCESS/(DEFICIT) OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE		34,727,574	(150,904,379)

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

AS AT 30 JUNE 2019

	Note	2019 RM	2018 RM
GENERAL FUND			
Balance as at beginning of the financial year		61,386,957	212,291,336
Excess/(Deficit) of income over expenditure		34,727,574	(150,904,379)
Balance as at end of the financial year		96,114,531	61,386,957
Represented by:			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Stocks		2,401	4,020
Receivables	8	506,434	1,483,882
Cash and cash equivalents	9	95,470,262	59,831,285
		95,979,097	61,319,187
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	10	1,493,537	1,098,160
Amounts due to related companies	11	516,499	499,808
		2,010,036	1,597,968
NET CURRENT ASSETS		93,969,061	59,721,219
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant and equipment	12	49,516	82,419
Receivables	8	2,095,955	1,583,319
		2,145,471	1,665,738
NET ASSETS		96,114,531	61,386,957

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN GENERAL FUND

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

	Total RM
2019	
At 1 July 2018	61,386,957
Excess of income over expenditure	34,727,574
At 30 June 2019	96,114,531
2018	
At 1 July 2017	212,291,336
Deficit of income over expenditure	(150,904,379)
At 30 June 2018	61,386,957

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

	Note	2019 RM	2018 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Excess/(Deficit) of income over expenditure		34,727,574	(150,904,379)
Adjustments for non-cash items:			
Profit sharing from mudharabah accounts		(3,332,907)	(1,584,578)
Interest from bank current account		(62,669)	(115,435)
Gain from disposal of plant and equipment		-	(1,331)
Depreciation		32,903	32,517
Impairment/(reversal of impairment) of loans receivable, net		1,915,968	(100,260)
Discount on loans receivable		144,389	8,594
Accretion of discount		(59,153)	(93,288)
Donations from Sime Darby Companies written off		-	114,397,791
Operating profit/(loss) before working capital changes		33,366,105	(38,360,369)
Changes in working capital:			
Stocks		1,619	2,497
Receivables		(1,504,259)	91,061,466
Payables		412,068	122,619
Net cash generated from operations		32,275,533	52,826,213
Profit sharing from mudharabah accounts received		3,300,775	1,508,324
Interest from bank current account received		62,669	115,435
Net cash generated from operating activities		35,638,977	54,449,972
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceed from disposal of plant and equipment		-	3,500
Purchase of plant and equipment		-	(31,300)
Net cash used in investing activities		-	(27,800)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		35,638,977	54,422,172
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR		59,831,285	5,409,113
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE FINANCIAL YEAR	9	95,470,262	59,831,285

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019

1 GENERAL INFORMATION

The Yayasan is principally engaged in receiving and administering funds to award scholarships or loans for educational purposes, promote recreational and sporting activities, undertake environmental conservation and sustainability projects and other related activities for the benefit of the community. There was no significant change in the nature of these activities during the financial year.

The Yayasan is incorporated in Malaysia as a company limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital.

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements of the Yayasan have been prepared in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards ("MFRS"), International Financial Reporting Standards and the requirements of the Companies Act 2016 in Malaysia.

The financial statements of the Yayasan have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise indicated in the respective policy statement in Note 3 to the financial statements.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with MFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reported period. It also requires Directors to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Yayasan's accounting policies. Although these estimates and judgement are based on the Directors' best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results may differ. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the Yayasan's financial statements are disclosed in Note 4.

During the financial year, the Yayasan has considered the new accounting pronouncements in the preparation of the financial statements.

(a) Standards and amendments to published standards that are applicable to the Yayasan

The Yayasan has adopted MFRS 9 'Financial Instruments' for the first time in the financial statements for the financial year ended 30 June 2019, which resulted in changes in accounting policies. The Yayasan has applied MFRS 9 retrospectively with the date of initial application of 1 July 2018. In accordance with the transitional provisions provided in MFRS 9, comparative information for 2018 was not restated and continued to be reported under the previous accounting policies governed under MFRS 139. The cumulative effects of initially applying MFRS 9 were immaterial and an adjustment to the opening balance of retained earnings as at 1 July 2018 is not required.

Other than MFRS 9, the adoption of other amendments to published standards that are effective from 1 July 2018 did not have any impact on the current period or any prior period and is not likely to affect future periods.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019 (CONTINUED)

2 BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONTINUED)

(b) Standards and amendments to published standards that are not yet effective and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements

(i) Interpretation and amendments that are effective on or after 1 July 2019, where their adoption is not expected to result in any significant changes to the Yayasan's results of financial position.

- MFRS 16 "Leases"

MFRS 16 "Leases"

MFRS 16 sets out the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of leases and will be effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019. It introduces a single lessee accounting model and requires a lessee to recognise assets and liabilities for all leases with a term of more than 12 months, unless the underlying asset is of low value. A lessee is required to recognise a right-of-use asset representing its right to use the underlying leased asset and a lease liability representing its obligation to make lease payments. A preliminary assessment has indicated that adoption of this standard would not have a material impact on the Yayasan's financial position with the recognition of right-of-use assets and lease liabilities.

3 SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These principal accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items that are considered material in relation to the financial statements, and to all the financial years presented, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Foreign currencies

(i) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the financial statements of the Yayasan are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates, i.e. the functional currency. The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia, which is the Yayasan's functional and presentation currency.

(ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions and monetary items are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the transaction dates and at the end of the reporting period, respectively. Foreign exchange differences arising therefrom and on settlement are recognised in the profit or loss.

(b) Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of an asset or part of an asset. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised and all repairs and maintenance costs are charged to the profit or loss during the financial year in which they are incurred.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019 (CONTINUED)

3 SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(b) Plant and equipment (continued)

Plant and equipment are depreciated on a straight-line basis to write down the cost or valuation of each asset to their residual values over their estimated useful lives. The principal annual depreciation rates are:

Office equipment	20% to 33.33%
Furniture and fittings	20%
Renovation	20%
Plant and machinery	20%
Motor vehicle	33.33%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, annually.

The carrying amount of an item of plant and equipment is derecognised on disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. The difference between the net disposal proceeds, if any, and the carrying amount is recognised in the profit or loss.

(c) Financial assets

Accounting policies applied from 1 July 2018

The Yayasan classifies its financial assets at amortised cost when the asset is held within an entity model with the objective to collect contractual cash flows and the contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest ("SPPI").

Financial assets of the Yayasan which fall under this category are loans receivable from defaulted scholars and students, deposits, cash and cash equivalents.

At initial recognition, the Yayasan measure a financial asset at its fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Interest income from these financial assets is included in finance income using the effective interest rate method. Any gain or loss arising on derecognition is recognised directly in profit or loss together with the related foreign exchange gains and losses. Impairment losses are presented as a separate line item in the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure.

The Yayasan's financial assets are categorised as loans and receivables.

Financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as loans and receivables. These financial assets are recorded at fair value plus transaction costs and thereafter, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less accumulated impairment losses.

Financial assets are classified as current assets for those having maturity dates of less than 12 months after the reporting date, and the balance is classified as non-current.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019 (CONTINUED)

3 SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(d) Financial liabilities

The Yayasan's financial liabilities are categorised as other financial liabilities and are recognised initially at fair value plus transaction costs and thereafter, at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Amortisation is charged to profit or loss.

Financial liabilities are classified as current liabilities for those having maturity dates of less than 12 months after the reporting date, and the balance is classified as non-current.

(e) Impairment

Accounting policies applied from 1 July 2018

The Yayasan recognises an allowance for expected credit loss ("ECL") for all debt instruments not held at fair value through profit and loss. ECLs are based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Yayasan expects to receive, discounted at an approximation of the original effective interest rate.

The expected cash flows will include cash flows from the sale of collateral held or other credit enhancements that are integral to the contractual terms.

While cash and cash equivalents are also subject to the impairment requirements of MFRS 9, the identified impairment loss is immaterial.

ECLs are measured based on a general 3-stage approach.

General 3-stage approach for loans receivable

ECLs are recognised in two stages. For credit exposures for which there has not been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, ECLs are provided for credit losses that result from default events that are possible within the next 12 months (a 12-month ECL).

For those credit exposures for which there has been a significant increase in credit risk since initial recognition, a loss allowance is required for credit losses expected over the remaining life of the exposure, irrespective of the timing of the default (a lifetime ECL).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019 (CONTINUED)

3 SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(e) Impairment (continued)

Significant increase in credit risk

The Yayasan considers the probability of default upon initial recognition of asset and whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk on an ongoing basis throughout each reporting period. To assess whether there is a significant increase in credit risk, the Yayasan compares the risk of a default occurring on the asset as at the reporting date with the risk of default as at the date of initial recognition. The assessment considers available, reasonable and supportable forward-looking information such as:

- internal credit rating/assessment;
- actual or expected significant adverse changes in financial or economic conditions that are expected to cause a significant change to the debtor's ability to meet its obligations;
- significant changes in the value of the collateral supporting the obligation or in the quality of third-party guarantees; or
- significant changes in the expected performance and behaviour of the debtor, including changes in the payment status of debtor.

Notwithstanding of the analysis above, a significant increase in credit risk is presumed if a debtor is more than 90 days past due in making a contractual payment.

Definition of default

The Yayasan considers the loans receivable from students as being in default when the students failed to make contractual payment within 90 days of when they fall due, based on the repayment schedule set out in the loan agreements. A financial asset is written off to statement of comprehensive income and expenditure when there is no reasonable expectation of recovering the contractual cash flows.

Accounting policies applied until 30 June 2018

Loans and receivables are assessed individually and thereafter collectively for objective evidence of impairment. If evidence exists, the amount of impairment loss is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss. Reversal of impairment loss to profit or loss, if any, is restricted to not resulting in the carrying amount of the financial asset that exceeds what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised previously.

(f) Stocks

Stocks are merchandise purchased for giveaways during events held for Corporate Social Responsibility activities and are stated at cost. The cost will be charged out to the profit or loss when the merchandise is given away.

(g) Employee costs

(i) Short-term employee benefits

Wages, salaries, paid annual leave and sick leave, bonuses and non-monetary benefits are accrued in the period in which the services are rendered by employees.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019 (CONTINUED)

3 SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(g) Employee costs (continued)

(ii) Defined contribution pension plans

A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Yayasan pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. The Yayasan has no legal or constructive obligations to pay further contributions if the fund does not hold sufficient assets to pay all employees the benefits relating to employee service in the current and prior periods.

The Yayasan's contributions to defined contribution plans are charged to profit or loss in the financial year in which they relate.

(h) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand and deposits held at call with banks.

(i) Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognised by reference to each distinct performance obligation in the contract with customer. Depending on the substance of the contract, revenue is recognised when the performance obligation is satisfied, which may be at a point in time or over time.

Donations from Sime Darby Berhad, Sime Darby Plantation Berhad and Sime Darby Property Berhad are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income and expenditure when the Yayasan is entitled to the donations. Other donations are recognised as income upon receipt.

Interest income is recognised on an accrual basis, using the effective interest method.

(j) Scholarship

Scholarship expenses are recognised at the time when the obligation becomes due and payable. Loans receivable are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position when scholars or former scholars breached the conditions set out in the scholarship agreements. The amounts recoverable are recognised initially at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition, they are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less impairment losses, if any.

(k) Contingent liabilities

The Yayasan does not recognise contingent liabilities but discloses their existence in the notes to the financial statements. A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events whose crystallisation will be confirmed by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events beyond the control of the Yayasan or a present obligation that is not recognised because it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation. A contingent liability also arises in the extremely rare circumstances where there is a liability that is not recognised because it cannot be measured reliably.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019 (CONTINUED)

4 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENT IN APPLYING ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with MFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates that involve complex and subjective judgements and the use of assumptions, some of which may be for matters that are inherently uncertain and susceptible to change. The Directors exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Yayasan's accounting policies. Estimates and assumptions are based on the Directors' best knowledge of current events. Such estimates and judgement could change from period to period and have a material impact on the results, financial position, cash flows and other disclosures.

The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are outlined below:

(a) Impairment of loan receivables

Impairment is made for loans receivable that the management considers the expected credit losses of individual loans, and their recoverability is doubtful. On a regular basis, the management reviews the loans receivable' ageing report and repayment history for any significant increase in credit risk as presented in Note 3(e).

5 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

(a) Financial risk management

The financial risk management of the Yayasan is carried out under policies approved by the Governing Council. Financial risk management is carried out through risk reviews, internal control system and adherence to Group Policies and Authorities. The Governing Council regularly reviews the risks and approves the policies covering the management of these risks.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value of the future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Yayasan's income and operating cash flows are substantially independent of changes in market interest rates. Interest rates exposures arise from deposits placed with licensed banks and other financial institutions which are short term in nature and earn market interest rates.

Currency risk

Currency risk arises when transactions are denominated in foreign currencies. The Yayasan make payments for tuition fees and living expenses for overseas scholars in foreign currency which are translated at spot rates when expected to be incurred. The Yayasan is not exposed to significant foreign currency risk as its financial assets and liabilities are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

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5 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(a) Financial risk management (continued)

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Yayasan will encounter difficulties in meeting its financial obligations due to insufficient funds. The Yayasan maintains sufficient cash and cash equivalents to enable it to meet its operational obligations when they fall due.

The table below analyses the financial liabilities of the Yayasan into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period from the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Note	Less than 1 year RM
As at 30 June 2019		
Payables	10	1,493,537
Amounts due to related companies	11	516,499
		2,010,036
As at 30 June 2018		
Payables	10	1,098,160
Amounts due to related companies	11	499,808
		1,597,968

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FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2019 (CONTINUED)

5 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

(a) Financial risk management (continued)

Credit risk

Credit risk refers to the risk that counterparty will default on its contractual obligations resulting in financial loss to the Yayasan. Loans receivable are secured by guarantee from third parties. For cash and cash equivalents, the Yayasan minimises credit risk by dealing with high credit rating counterparties.

The ECL for other receivables is calculated based on the 3-stage approach

Category	Definition of category	Basis for recognising ECL
Performing	Debtors have a low risk of default and a strong capacity to meet contractual cash flows.	12-month ECL
Underperforming	Debtors for which there is a significant increase in credit risk due to their inability to repay the outstanding receivables based on the contractual repayment schedule duly signed by both parties.	Lifetime ECL
Non-performing	There is evidence indicating the asset is credit-impaired.	Lifetime ECL (credit impaired)
Write-off	There is evidence indicating that there is no reasonable expectation of recovery based on unavailability of debtor's sources of income or assets to generate sufficient future cash flows to repay the amount.	Asset is written off

Based on the above, loss allowance is measured on either 12 month ECL or lifetime ECL, by considering the likelihood that the debtor would not be able to repay during the contractual period, the percentage of contractual cash flows that will not be collected if default happens and the outstanding amount that is exposed to default risk.

Fair value of the financial instruments

The carrying amounts of the financial assets and liabilities as at end of reporting period approximated their fair values.

(b) Capital risk management

The Yayasan considers its general funds as its capital. As at 30 June 2019 and 30 June 2018, the Yayasan is not exposed to any capital risk as there are no outstanding borrowings made with financial institutions nor related companies.

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6 STAFF COSTS

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Wages, salaries and bonus	3,132,680	3,347,841
Defined contribution plan	457,350	546,398
	3,590,030	3,894,239

7 TAXATION

No provision has been made for taxation as the Yayasan is a charitable institution which is exempted from tax by virtue of Section 127(1) of the Income Tax Act, 1967 (Paragraph 13 (1)(a) of Schedule 6).

8 RECEIVABLES

	2019 RM	2018 RM
<u>Current</u>		
Loans receivable	7,760,020	6,815,971
Less: Provision for impairment	(7,375,861)	(5,459,893)
	384,159	1,356,078
Prepayments	12,888	12,150
Deposits	-	1,000
Advance payments	1,000	38,400
Interest receivables	108,387	76,254
	506,434	1,483,882
<u>Non-current</u>		
Loans receivable	2,095,955	1,583,319
Total receivables	2,602,389	3,067,201

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8 RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

Loans receivable represent outstanding interest free study loans granted to students and amounts due from scholars who have breached their scholarship agreements. These amounts are repayable over a period ranging from one to fifteen years from the date of completion of studies or termination. The terms of repayment range from monthly instalments to lump sum payment. Repayment within one year is classified as current asset and repayments after one year are classified as non-current asset. Loans receivable are analysed as below:

	2019 RM	2018 RM
At 1 July	2,939,397	2,731,656
Scholarship agreements breached during the financial year	2,384,272	2,855,323
Discount on inception	(144,389)	(8,594)
Accretion of discount	59,153	93,288
Repayment during the financial year	(842,351)	(2,832,536)
Impairment/(reversal of impairment) of loans receivable, net	(1,915,968)	100,260
At 30 June	2,480,114	2,939,397
Current asset	384,159	1,356,078
Non-current asset	2,095,955	1,583,319
	2,480,114	2,939,397

The fair value of loans receivable (current and non-current) as at 30 June 2019 was RM 2,480,114 (2018: RM 2,939,397). The fair value was determined based on cash flows discounted using the current market interest rate and is within Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

- Level 1 - Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 - Valuation inputs (other than level 1 input) that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly
- Level 3 - Valuation inputs that are not based on observable market data

The Yayasan has measured the expected credit loss of the loans receivable using the general 3-stage approach.

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8 RECEIVABLES (CONTINUED)

The impact of loss allowance on the carrying value of loans receivable presented by the stages are as follows:

	Performing Stage 1 RM	Under Performing Stage 2 RM	Not Performing Stage 3 RM	Total RM
30 June 2019				
Gross carrying amount	1,765,580	922,082	7,168,313	9,855,975
Loss allowance	-	(207,548)	(7,168,313)	(7,375,861)
Net carrying amount	1,765,580	714,534	-	2,480,114

The accumulated impairment for loans receivable using the general 3-step approach as at 30 June 2019 reconciles to the opening accumulated impairment for that provision as follows:

	Performing Stage 1 RM	Under Performing Stage 2 RM	Not Performing Stage 3 RM	Total RM
At 1 July	-	-	(5,459,893)	(5,459,893)
Loss allowance	-	(207,548)	(1,708,420)	(1,915,968)
Net carrying amount	-	(207,548)	(7,168,313)	(7,375,861)

The basis of classification of other receivables into the three different stages is set out in Note 3(e) to the financial statements.

Receivables which are impaired are in respect of balances for which management is of the view that the amount may not be recoverable. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the carrying value of each receivables mentioned above as the Yayasan does not hold any collateral as security.

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9 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Placement in mudharabah accounts:		
Licensed banks	62,593,539	24,624,496
Other financial institutions	32,615,882	28,212,118
	95,209,421	52,836,614
Cash and bank balances	260,841	6,994,671
Cash and cash equivalents	95,470,262	59,831,285

All placements in mudharabah accounts, cash and bank balances are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia.

Bank balances are deposits held at call with banks.

The credit rating profiles of banks and other financial institutions in which the placements in mudharabah accounts had been made are as follows:

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	2019 RM	2018 RM
- AA3	62,593,539	24,624,496
- A2	32,615,882	28,212,118
	95,209,421	52,836,614

The weighted average profit sharing rate per annum of placement in mudharabah accounts that were effective at end of financial year were as follows:

	2019 %	2018 %
Licensed banks	3.28	3.55
Other financial institutions	3.18	3.39

Placement in mudharabah accounts as at 30 June 2019 of the Yayasan has a maturity period of 17 days (2018: 25 days).

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10 PAYABLES

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Accruals	785,460	965,933
Other payables	708,077	132,227
	1,493,537	1,098,160

11 AMOUNTS DUE TO RELATED COMPANIES

The amounts due to related companies are denominated in Ringgit Malaysia, unsecured, interest free and have credit terms of 30 to 60 days (2018: 30 to 60 days).

12 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

	Office equipment RM	Furniture and fittings RM	Plant and machinery RM	Motor vehicle RM	Capital work in progress RM	Total RM
2019						
Cost						
At 1 July 2019	418,804	53,537	1	1	6,300	478,643
Reclassifications	-	6,300	-	-	(6,300)	-
At 30 June 2019	418,804	59,837	1	1	-	478,643
Accumulated depreciation						
At 1 July 2018	367,293	28,931	-	-	-	396,224
Charges for the financial year	26,853	6,050	-	-	-	32,903
At 30 June 2019	394,146	34,981	-	-	-	429,127
Carrying amount						
At 30 June 2019	24,658	24,856	1	1	-	49,516

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12 PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

	Office equipment RM	Furniture and fittings RM	Renovation RM	Plant and machinery RM	Motor vehicle RM	Capital work in progress RM	Total RM
2018							
Cost							
At 1 July 2017	418,804	65,311	14,750	1	1	-	498,867
Additions	-	25,000	-	-	-	6,300	31,300
Disposals	-	(36,774)	(14,750)	-	-	-	(51,524)
At 30 June 2018	418,804	53,537	-	1	1	6,300	478,643
Accumulated depreciation							
At 1 July 2017	339,494	60,293	13,275	-	-	-	413,062
Charge for the financial year	27,799	3,244	1,474	-	-	-	32,517
Disposals	-	(34,606)	(14,749)	-	-	-	(49,355)
At 30 June 2018	367,293	28,931	-	-	-	-	396,224
Carrying amount							
At 30 June 2018	51,511	24,606	-	1	1	6,300	82,419

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13 COMMITMENTS

The following table presents the undiscounted commitments of the Yayasan at the end of the reporting period:

Operational commitments:

2019

Committed	Maturity profile		
	<1 year	1-5 years	Total
	RM	RM	RM
Education:			
- Scholarships committed	11,017,723	5,780,849	16,798,572
- Education	1,271,738	105,026	1,376,764
Community & Health	13,283,501	2,905,312	16,188,813
Environment	8,882,666	4,889,059	13,771,725
Sports	2,222,503	398,216	2,620,719
Arts & Culture	2,662,142	500,000	3,162,142
	39,340,273	14,578,462	53,918,735
Not committed	Maturity profile		
	<1 year	1-5 years	Total
	RM	RM	RM
Education	3,410,000	1,000,000	4,410,000
Community & Health	23,612,500	607,500	24,220,000
Environment	3,158,739	2,066,261	5,225,000
Sports	500,000	-	500,000
Arts & Culture	464,563	435,437	900,000
	31,145,802	4,109,198	35,255,000

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13 COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

The following table presents the undiscounted commitments of the Yayasan at the end of the reporting period:
(continued)

Operational commitments: (continued)

2018

Committed	Maturity profile		Total RM
	<1 year RM	1-5 years RM	
Education:			
- Scholarships committed	13,246,606	9,020,735	22,267,341
- Education	3,209,842	831,194	4,041,036
Community & Health	17,526,213	7,665,876	25,192,089
Environment	14,368,118	2,483,782	16,851,900
Sports	4,464,189	1,530,174	5,994,363
Arts & Culture	3,844,079	-	3,844,079
	56,659,047	21,531,761	78,190,808

Not committed	Maturity profile		Total RM
	<1 year RM	1-5 years RM	
Education	1,800,000	-	1,800,000
Community & Health	3,416,000	20,939,000	24,355,000
Environment	200,000	-	200,000
Sports	-	-	-
Arts & Culture	831,500	-	831,500
	6,247,500	20,939,000	27,186,500

As at 30 June 2019, there were (2019: 719) scholarships (2018: 560) in progress.

The committed amounts represent Corporate Social Responsibility ("CSR") activities that Yayasan has committed itself to the beneficiaries and the not committed amounts represent CSR activities which have been approved by the Yayasan's Governing Council but the agreements have yet to be signed.

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14 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The members of the Yayasan are Sime Darby Berhad, Sime Darby Plantation Berhad and Sime Darby Property Berhad (collectively addressed as "Sime Darby Companies").

The Yayasan regards the Sime Darby Companies as its investors. All the entities are incorporated in Malaysia.

The following companies are related to the Yayasan by virtue that these companies are subsidiaries of the Sime Darby Companies.

In addition to related party disclosures mentioned elsewhere in the financial statements, set out below are the related party transactions and balances:

(a) Transaction with related parties

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Donations income:		
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad	40,000,000	20,000,000
Sime Darby Property Berhad	20,000,000	10,000,000
Sime Darby Industrial Sdn Bhd	9,600,000	5,000,000
Sime Darby Holdings Berhad	250,000	-
Hyundai – Sime Darby Motors Sdn Bhd	4,000,000	5,000,000
Kumpulan Sime Darby Berhad	550,000	-
Sime Darby Motors Sdn Bhd	300,000	-
Sime Darby Auto Bavaria Sdn Bhd	3,800,000	-
Sime Darby Auto Imports Sdn Bhd	1,500,000	-
	80,000,000	40,000,000

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Donations written off:		
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad	-	78,012,219
Sime Darby Property Berhad	-	16,600,000
Sime Darby Motors Sdn Bhd	-	7,267,000
Sime Darby Industrial Sdn Bhd	-	6,726,002
Sime Darby Energy Sdn Bhd	-	560,000
Sime Darby Holdings Berhad	-	5,232,570
	-	114,397,791

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14 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

(a) Transaction with related parties (continued)

During the previous financial year, the Yayasan entered into a donation agreement with the Sime Darby Companies which entitles the Yayasan to a fixed donation of RM80,000,000 annually. The pledged donations from the Sime Darby Companies prior to entering of the donation agreement have been forgone by the Yayasan and written off as expenditure in the previous financial year.

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Rental of office building from:		
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad	360,000	-
Wisma Sime Darby Sdn Bhd	-	176,013
Rental of motor vehicles from:		
Sime Darby Rent A Car Sdn Bhd	101,038	101,519
Internal audit services from:		
Sime Darby Holdings Berhad	15,000	58,768

(b) Balances with related parties

(i) Amounts due to related companies

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Sime Darby Global Services Centre Sdn Bhd	-	61,416
Sime Darby Plantation Berhad	472,324	-
Sime Darby Holdings Berhad	17,567	58,768
Sime Darby Industrial Academy Sdn Bhd	-	363,980
Sime Darby Rent A Car Sdn Bhd	17,584	455
Sime Darby Lockton Insurance Brokers Sdn Bhd	6,114	14,980
Sime Darby Foods & Beverages Marketing Sdn. Bhd.	-	209
Ara Damansara Medical Centre	2,670	-
Subang Jaya Medical Centre	240	-
	516,499	499,808

During the financial year, Sime Darby Global Services Centre Sdn Bhd ("SDGSC") is ceased as a subsidiary under Sime Darby Berhad. As such, SDGSC is no longer a related party as at 30 June 2019.

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14 RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES (CONTINUED)

(c) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel comprise the Governing Council members and the Chief Executive Officer of Yayasan Sime Darby. Total remuneration paid to the key management personnel of Yayasan Sime Darby are as follows:

	2019 RM	2018 RM
Salaries, bonus and other emoluments	686,656	664,096
Defined contribution plan	90,900	86,682
Estimated monetary value of benefits-in-kind	17,400	17,400
	794,956	768,178

For financial years ended 30 June 2018 and 30 June 2019, the remuneration paid to the Governing Council members were borne by the Sime Darby Companies.

15 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY

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Financial assets and financial liabilities are categorised as follows:

	Financial assets at amortised cost 2019
Financial assets	
Receivables (excluding prepayments and advance payments)	2,588,500
Cash and cash equivalents	95,470,262
	98,058,762
	Loans and receivables 2018
Financial assets	
Receivables (excluding prepayments and advance payments)	3,023,651
Cash and cash equivalents	59,831,285
	62,854,936

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15 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORY (CONTINUED)

Financial assets and financial liabilities are categorised as follows: (continued)

	Financial liabilities at amortised cost 2019
Financial liabilities	
Payables	1,493,537
Amounts due to related companies	516,499
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	Financial liabilities at amortised cost 2018
Financial liabilities	
Payables	1,098,160
Amounts due to related companies	499,808
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16 APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements have been approved for issue in accordance with a resolution of the Governing Council on 20 September 2019.

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