Improving Youth Employability in Sabah

The Entrepreneurship Programme helps local entrepreneurs expand their business scale and find new market opportunities. The programme consisted of five training modules on ideation, conceptualisation, marketing strategy and business analysis which aims to equip participants with basic entrepreneurial skills. Agrobank provided information on financial management.

Working closely with the Giatmara Training Programme, we aim to upskill local youth and improve their employability. Youths from Lawas and Baram were exposed to courses such as welding and metal fabrication, automotive technology and building technology through the Towards Uplifting Lives Programme (TULiP).

- **22** participants from Lawas completed the Entrepreneurship Programme.
- **10** local youths graduated from the Giatmara Training Programme.



MyLady Assistance Scheme

Yayasan PETRONAS supported the MyLady Assistance Scheme programme to empower single mothers and women living with HIV to get out of poverty. Through this scheme, these women were given access to microcredit business loans, entrepreneurial training and peer support, to assist them with their home-based enterprises.

• **30** single mothers and women living with HIV received assistance through the MyLady Assistance Scheme.

SAGA Health Access Programme (SHAPE)

Through the Malaysia Aids Foundation (MAF) SAGA Health Access Programme (SHAPE), Yayasan PETRONAS assisted B40 patients with HIV, Thalassemia and Paediatric illness from rural Sabah to attend their treatment appointments by subsidising the high logistical costs to local hospitals or clinics.

- Assisted **180** patients under the SHAPE programme.
- **95 per cent** attendance rate (HIV beneficiaries) adhered based on scheduled appointments.

Supporting Cancer Research

Yayasan PETRONAS continued to support cancer research for the Asian population and paediatric patients by providing grants to Cancer Research Malaysia (CRM) and Hospital Canselor Tuanku Mukhriz (HCTM) in 2022. These grants will drive new research to address cancer more effectively, from prevention to detection and treatment.

Community-based Disaster Risk Management

Yayasan PETRONAS collaborated with the National Disaster Management Association Malaysia (NADIM) to introduce Community-Based Disaster Risk Management (CBDRM) training to local communities in Tumpat, Kelantan and Pekan, Pahang. Seasonal floods impacted both areas for several years.

CBDRM aims to strengthen community resilience by enhancing their capabilities and skills in pre-disaster training provided to help communities prepare for disasters to minimise its impact on their assets and lives. The training also allowed local emergency responders and agencies to forge stronger relationships.

• Equipped **200** participants, including community leaders with pre-disaster training.

Training for People with Disabilities

The Perlis Special Teens Centre (PeSTeC) under the management of the Perlis Special Children Community Rehabilitation Organisation upgraded its facilities as a result of a grant received from Yayasan PETRONAS in 2022. This further supportd PeSTeC in helping special needs teenagers adapt to society by providing them with skills training and instilling a sense of independence.

Breaking the Cycle of Poverty Among Malaysia's Indigenous Communities and Extreme Poor

PETRONAS collaborates with a dedicated government department for the indigenous community (*Orang Asli*), *Jabatan Kemajuan Orang Asli* (JAKOA) and NGOs for a programme aiming to uplift the lives of *Orang Asli* across Malaysia. The programme focuses on providing access to clean energy, clean water and education.