

Dato' Mokhtar Dahari Cup: SMK Datuk Harun emerge champions

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KUALA LUMPUR, May 14 (Bernama) -- The final match for the Under-18 Dato' Mokhtar Dahari Cup (PDPM) last Saturday saw SMK Datuk Harun crowned as champions and winning RM10,000 in prize money.

They beat SMK Tropicana 7-0, with the runners-up receiving RM7,000, while the third and fourth placed took home RM5,000 and RM3,000 respectively.

The tournament, a social corporate responsibility initiative by **Kumpulan Perangsang Selangor**, saw 32 schools with 576 players taking part under the Rangsangan Sukan Selangor (RSS) programme.

"The objective of the competition is to find new talents in football from schools in Selangor, and many football clubs see the tournament as a platform for seeking such talents," said PDMD tournament chairman, Datuk Emran Kadir in a statement to Bernama.

To date, a total of 94 players from four PDMD tournaments are playing for major local football clubs.



Also present at the PDMD tournament's fifth edition final match at Arena Subang Jaya, near here, last Saturday, was Perangsang Selangor chief operating officer, Suzila Khairuddin.

Suzila said the company contributed RM700,000 for all five editions of PDMD in a bid to develop young talents between the ages of 13 and 18 years.

"We also spent about RM150,000 to support this year's tournament," she said.

According to Suzila, Perangsang Selangor has been active in CSR programmes under the RSS since 2011 with RM30 million disbursed for the endeavour.

"There are eight sport activities - football, bowling, swimming, badminton, cycling, squash, sepak takraw and archery - under the RSS," she said.

Suzila hoped that more parties, notably corporate bodies, would assist such initiatives to ensure the development of various sport activities in Selangor.

The next stage will see Perangsang Selangor organising the PDMD tournament for the Under-15 category which is expected to take place after the Form Three Assessment (PT3) this year.

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