



Perangsang's 'Singgah Mesra' collects one tonne of garbage at Bagan Lalang beach

KUALA LUMPUR, Dec 24 (Bernama) -- Participants of the Environmental Explorace under **Kumpulan Perangsang Selangor Berhad's** (KPS) Singgah Mesra Programme took 30 minutes to collect one tonne of garbage at Bagan Lalang beach, Sepang, yesterday.

More than 100 members of the KPS workforce, their family members and Bagan Lalang Youth Association members collected the garbage that included discarded diapers, lorry tyres, plastic bags and bottles along a 200-metre stretch of the beach.

During the two-day 'friendly stopover' programme from Dec 22, KPS also handed out 10 'kelapa madu' (honey coconut) saplings and 10 garbage bins to Sepang municipal councillor, Vijayarany Arumugam as a mark of KPS' support for environmental protection and conservation efforts.

KPS associate director for Investor Relations and Strategic Communication, Mohd Fauzi Mohd Ghazali said the objective was to create public awareness, especially among children, of the importance of preserving the environment.

"Although the duration is short, the programme this time is more effective when combined with the qiamullail (special night prayers), a talk on greening and other environment-related activities with the support of various government agencies and NGOs."

He said this to reporters after the closing ceremony of the programme, the sixth in the series.

Earlier at the event, Mohd Fauzi symbolically handed over a mock Rakan Alam Sekitar corporate membership form to Department of Environment (DoE) representative, Mohd Amin Ghazali.

He said as a 'Friend of the Environment', KPS would establish strategic cooperation with DoE for the its environmental and corporate social responsibility programmes.

"Through this collaboration, we plan to hold more programmes and share information on environmental sustainability with the local community that we visit in this state," he added.

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