

UMS holds post-flood assistance mission

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KOTA KINABALU: Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) conducted a post-flood assistance mission to Sekolah Kebangsaan Panaitan in Kota Marudu last Sunday.

Led by its Deputy Vice Chancellor (Students Affair and Alumni) Associate Prof Dr Raman Noordin, the mission was part of UMS' corporate social responsibility (CSR) to lend a hand in areas that were affected by the recent flood.

"Through this program, we can train and improve the students' soft skills, especially in community activities which is one of the cores of student activities. A total of 30 student volunteers, 15 staff and 15 health workers from Hospital Universiti Malaysia Sabah (HUMS) were involved in making this program a success," he said.

The one-day program was organized by the UMS' Kelab Sukarelawan Siswa (KESUWA) UMS with the collaboration of its Students Affair Department, HUMS, Kor Siswa Siswi Pertahanan Awam (Kor Sispaw) and the Student



UMS volunteers cleaning up the school compound.

Representative Council (MPP).

According to Raman, the group helped to clean the school grounds and also donated health equipment to the community in the form of 150 health kits which were distributed to the residents of nearby areas.

HUMS also provided health check-up and dispensed medication to those

needing it.

Meanwhile, SK Panaitan headmaster Kamisa Gunting expressed her highest appreciation to UMS for the program as it was very beneficial to school staff and local residents.

"We hope to work together again in other programs in the future such as motivational programs for school students," she said.