UMS Engineering Students Community Engagement with Kampung Singgaron Baru, Ranau for Biosand Water Filter Installation

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DECEMBER - A group of 12 civil engineering final year students of Faculty of Engineering, University Malaysia Sabah (UMS) have been engaged with the community of Kg. Singgaron Baru, Ranau for water security and quality improvement using Biosand Water Filter recently.

Over 50 villagers took part in this project which was held for 2 days at the community hall, with 50 units of biosand filter have been successfully assembled and installed with joint effort of the community members which will not only benefit each household but also public places like mosque, kindergarten, pre-school and 2 food stalls.

"This project is fully funded by KHIND Starfish Foundation under Project for Happiness 2018. We are grateful and honoured to be among the selected ones to receive the fund and therefore able to turn the dreams of the community in Kg. Singgaron Baru, Ranau into a reality," said group project leader, Allan Lumberio Lim.

"This project is what the villagers have been looking forward to. We are very thankful to both UMS and Khind Starfish Foundation for selecting our small village and providing each household with a unit of filter which has the same function as other water filter system, without any cost charges. With this given facility, it sure will help in enhancing the water quality for consumption here," said one of the villager during an interview session.

Present during the project implementation, Prof. Madya Dr.Nurmin Bolong as Advisor of the project and lecturer of Environmental Engineering course, officiated the ceremony and involved during the briefing with the villagers.