



VOLUNTEERS ... a session with the parents, facilitated by volunteer team members (in t-shirt).

Shark plight awareness at remote primary school

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KUDAT: The team from the Endangered Marine Species Research Unit (UEMS), Borneo Marine Research Institute of the Universiti Malaysia Sabah (UMS) continued with its awareness programme in marine conservation, in its sustained effort to highlight the importance of protecting sharks.

The team has recently reached out to students, parents and teachers of SK Limau-Limauan, a remote primary school along the coast of the 60-km-long Marudu Bay within the Tun Mustapha Park.

Due to the proximity of the school and the village (Kampung Limau-Limauan) to the sea, families have a long and close relationship with the sea.

A total of forty students, 11 parents and 13 teachers, including the school headmaster, Matsaleh Muhammad participated in the half-day Shark Awareness Programme.

In his speech, Muhammad



APPRECIATION ... Dr. Mabel (right) and Matsaleh exchanging certificates of appreciation at the end of the programme.

lauded the programme as an important extracurricular activity for his school.

"These programmes not only give benefit to the students, but also to parents and teachers in this school. And therefore, it is with great delight that I wish to extend my gratitude to UMS for choosing our school for this fun learn-

ing awareness event," he said.

The programme was made possible with funding from the Save Our Seas Foundation (SOSF) awarded to Dr. Mabel Manjaji Matsumoto, Project Leader of the Sabah Elasmobranch Biodiversity project (2017-2019), and Head of UEMS.



EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY ... the UEMS 'Shark Team' pictured with the students, parents, and teachers.