

UMS-KAL staff processing and packaging the items.

UMS Labuan donation drive for Kelantan flood victims

Cheang Poh Hwa

LABUAN: Universiti Sabah Malaysia-Labuan International Campus (UMS-KAL) is spearheading a donation campaign to help the flood victims in Kelantan under the UMS Prihatin 2014 programme.

A collection centre was set up to facilitate the public to contribute in cash or kind from 8am to 9pm managed by the

campus staff.

Since the launch last Monday, Assoc. Prof. Dr Syed Nasirin Syed Zainol Abidin said people from all walks of life had come forward to express their solidarity with the victims.

They brought much-needed items such as foodstuff, clothes, blankets, batteries, candles, shoes and toiletries as part of relief aid.

After packaging them in boxes, the

Royal Malaysian Air Force would airlift them to Kota Kinabalu before being dispatched to the relief centres in Kelantan.

Member of Parliament Datuk Rozman Isli, accompanied by Datuk Bashir Alias, a member of the Advisory Panel of Labuan Corporation, visited the operations.

Also present were Women's Development Council Chairman Datuk Aini Safar and community leaders.

Dr Nasirin told the visitors that many UMS students were from the East Coast states affected by the floods. It was only natural that the institution took the initiative and at the same time allows the people to contribute to the cause.

Thanking UMS for its efforts, Rozman, who is also Chairman of Labuan Corporation, said he prayed the victims would have the forbearance and strength in facing the disaster and that life would return to normal as soon as possible.