



PRESS STATEMENT
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IRM LAUNCHES LOMBOK EMERGENCY APPEAL

BANGI – Following an earthquake with 6.4 Richter scale that hit Lombok on the last July 29th, Islamic Relief Malaysia (IRM) is now proactively promoting Lombok Emergency Appeal since August 7th 2018.

According to IRM Chief Executive Officer, Zairulshahfuddin Zainal Abidin, IRM aims to collect a total fund of RM500,000 to be contributed to affected residents in Mukim Tanjung, Northern Lombok District, West Nusa Tenggara.

“Throughout all evaluations and observations done, the collected fund will be used to buy necessary items such as tents, blankets, mineral water, and food packs.

“Since the first quake took place, Islamic Relief Indonesia (IR Indonesia) has sent rescue teams to Mount Rinjanji and Lombok Hospital followed by mission aid forces in Northern Lombok.

“Currently, Country Director of IR Indonesia, Nanang Dirja is also on the ground to help the rescue teams and distributing aids,” said Zairulshahfuddin.

Following the first few series of earthquake in Lombok since July 29th, the catastrophe has sacrificed quite a number of innocent souls whilst hundreds more were badly hurt and affected 500,000 residents in Lombok.

To date, IR Indonesia is cooperating with two other local non-government organisations (NGO), KONSEPSI and KOSLATA to help ease the situation in Kampung Tegal Maja and Kampung Sokong in Mukim Tanjung.

About IR Indonesia

Islamic Relief began its operation in Indonesia since 2000 and launched its official office in Jakarta in 2003.

Since inception, IR Indonesia has offered help to Indonesians through a multitude of sectors namely emergency, sustainable livelihood, education, Al-Yateem sponsorship, and others.

IR Indonesia was among the earliest NGOs that sent its rescue teams when Tsunami struck Aceh in 2004 and earthquake in Yogyakarta in 2006.

Through Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between IR Indonesia and Ministry of Home Affairs, IR Indonesia was granted a mandate to operate in five regions: Nangroe Aceh Darussallam (NAD), West Sumatra, West Java, West Nusa Tenggara, and Banten.

In Lombok, IR Indonesia has been actively operating since 2013 through major projects such as:

- 1) Al-Yateem sponsorship for 475 orphans.
- 2) Sustainable Livelihood for women especially single mothers to increase their wage through mushroom projects, hydroponic seeding, and weaving business.
- 3) Water and Sanitation for water wells, sanitation facilities, and medical care.
- 4) Disaster Risk Reduction by introducing main roles in vulnerable location.

About Islamic Relief (IR)

Islamic Relief (IR) is an independent international humanitarian and development organisation. IR is headquartered in the United Kingdom and was founded in 1984. IR has served in more than 45 countries, assisting more than 120 million people. IR also has a network in over 30 countries covering 100 branches worldwide. The scope of IR assistance covers emergency assistance, integrated sustainable development, disaster risk reduction and advocacy.

YABhg. Tun Dr. Mahathir Mohamad officiated the establishment of Islamic Relief Malaysia (IRM) in 2005, aiming to continue IR humanitarian assistance in the Asia-Pacific region. Currently, IRM serves as a fund raising and project executor (international & local).

For further inquiries about humanitarian programmes run by IRM, please visit our official website <https://islamic-relief.org.my/> or contact us at +6003 8926 3434.

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