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**ISLAMIC RELIEF MALAYSIA ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF NEW
CHAIRMAN, DATUK NUR ISKANDAR A. SAMAD**

Islamic Relief Malaysia (IR Malaysia) is pleased to announce the appointment of Datuk Nur Iskandar A. Samad as the new Chairman of the Board of Trustees, effective 18 August 2026.

The appointment follows the decision of Dato' Sri Syed Saleh Syed Abdul Rahman to step down from his position as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of IR Malaysia, effective 4 August 2026.

Dato' Sri Syed Saleh's decision was made on the grounds of his health condition and upon medical advice that he be given the necessary time and space to focus on his recovery and well-being. The Board of Trustees of IR Malaysia has accepted his decision.

Throughout his tenure as Chairman, Dato' Sri Syed Saleh served IR Malaysia with dedication, professionalism and a strong sense of responsibility. His leadership, guidance and commitment to IR Malaysia's humanitarian mission have been deeply valued by the Board of Trustees and Management.

Datuk Nur Iskandar brings over 40 years of extensive experience in the oil, gas and petrochemical industry, having held various senior leadership positions with PETRONAS, Malaysia's national oil company. He also served on the Board of Directors of the public-listed, Vantris Energy Berhad (formerly known as Sapura Energy Berhad) from 2023 to 2025. His key areas of expertise include project management, manufacturing operations and leadership development.

He holds a BSc (Hons) in Chemical Engineering from the University of Leeds, United Kingdom. He has also served as a Member of the Industry Advisory Council of Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) and Universiti Teknologi PETRONAS (UTP).

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Datuk Nur Iskandar has served as a member of the Board of Trustees of IR Malaysia since 2022. Even prior to joining the Board, he had been a strong supporter of IR Malaysia and its humanitarian mission. His familiarity with the organisation, together with his extensive leadership and corporate experience, will provide valuable guidance as IR Malaysia continues to strengthen its humanitarian impact and organisational governance.

The Board of Trustees and Management of IR Malaysia extend their deepest appreciation to Dato' Sri Syed Saleh Syed Abdul Rahman for his dedicated service, leadership and invaluable contributions to the organisation. We wish him well and pray for his continued recovery, good health and well-being.

At the same time, we warmly welcome Datuk Nur Iskandar A. Samad as the new Chairman and look forward to his leadership and guidance as IR Malaysia continues to advance its humanitarian mission and strengthen its commitment to good governance, accountability and integrity.

IR Malaysia remains steadfast in serving communities in need and delivering its humanitarian mandate with compassion, trust and responsibility.

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About Islamic Relief

Islamic Relief is an international humanitarian organization founded in 1984 in response to the famine in East Africa. The headquarters of Islamic Relief is located in Birmingham, United Kingdom. Islamic Relief operates in over 40 countries and has assisted more than 145 million people. Today, Islamic Relief Worldwide is among one of the largest charity and development organizations in the world.

About Islamic Relief Malaysia

Islamic Relief Malaysia was established in 2004. It aspires to continue Islamic Relief humanitarian assistance in the Asia-Pacific region. Islamic Relief Malaysia serves as a fundraising and project implementer for international and local projects.

Kindly visit the Islamic Relief Malaysia website, www.islamic-relief.org.my, for more information.

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