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ASW 2020-Response

SCHEME CONTINUES TO RECEIVE OVERWHELMING RESPONSE

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 3 (Bernama) -- The Amanah Saham Wawasan 2020 scheme continued to receive overwhelming response from the people on its second day of sale today with another 57.33 million of the units worth RM1 each snapped up.

This brings to 127.51 million units the total sale of the new unit trust open to Malaysians between the ages of 12 and 29, Permodalan Nasional Berhad chief executive Datuk Mohd Hilmey Mohd Taib said in a statement.

He said 7.40 million of the units sold today were taken up by Bumiputeras while non-Bumiputeras bought 49.93 million units.

There were 9,170 Bumiputera investors and 13,855 non-Bumiputera investors as at 4.30pm.

Yesterday, 70.18 million units were sold -- 10.65 million to Bumiputeras and 59.53 million to non-Bumiputeras.

The ASW 2020 scheme, consisting of three billion units of RM1 each, was launched by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad last Wednesday.

Selangor registered the most sales today with 11.13 million units followed by Federal Territory (8.56 million) and Perak (6.14 million).

Mohd Hilmey said the ASNB office in Jalan Tun Razak here would extend its working hours to between 8.45am and 4pm on Saturdays and between 9am and 4pm on Sundays for this month.

He said 1.6 million ASW 2020 application forms had been distributed to the ASNB office and 1,244 appointed agents nationwide.

Another 400,000 forms are being printed for distribution late this week or early next week, he added. -- BERNAMA

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