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Bakti contributes RM555,500 to charity

KUALA LUMPUR, Fri. - The Association of Wives of Ministers and Deputy Ministers today presented donations amounting to RM555,500 to welfare organisations.

The contribution was presented by Bakti vice-president Datin Seri Dr Wan Azizah Wan Ismail at Sri Perdana.

Of the amount, RM500,000 was presented to the chairman of the Malaysian AIDS Foundation, Datin Paduka Marina Mahathir, for treatment of 30 AIDS patients and HIV carriers.

The Regional Steering Committee On The Economic Advancement of Rural and Island Women, Asia Pacific (RSC-AP), which strives to eradicate poverty among rural women in the region, received RM50,000.

The donation was received by the National Unity and Social Development Ministry's secretary-general, Datuk Dr Zainul Arif Hussain, who represented the Women's Affairs Department. The money will be used for a workshop organised by RSC-AP, to be held in Sungai Petani, Kedah, from Aug 2 to 9.

Dr Wan Azizah also presented RM5,500 to 10-year-old thalassaemia patient, Mohamed Zanel Ibrahim.

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