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Puspanita raises RM50,000 through special Bonia sale

KUALA LUMPUR, Wed. - Puspanita and the Bonia Group of Companies recently raised RM50,000 for the "Puspanita Puspadara Fund" through a special sale of Bonia goods.

This was announced today at a cheque presentation officiated by Puspanita patron Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohamed Ali at the association's premises in Jalan Hose.

"Puspanita conducts various activities to raise funds for programmes which benefit its members just as other non-governmental organisations. However, this time, we decided to organise a unique kind of fund-raising," said association president Puan Seri Teh Zahariah Jahidin.

Puspanita is the Association of Wives of Civil Servants and Women Civil Servants.

"This time instead of approaching various private sector organisations for donations, we invited the Bonia Group of Companies to conduct a special sale for Puspanita members at the Dr Siti Hasmah Hall at Puspanita's building.

Zahariah said the money would be used for the association's various programmes.

"The main projects for Puspanita this year include the establishment of nurseries at all ministries according to the needs of staff.

"As of now, eight ministries already have nurseries and the Agriculture Ministry and the Public Works Department will soon have nurseries too.

"We also hope to set up an education fund to specifically assist members' children who do not fare well in the Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia examination and who do not have the financial means to pursue their studies at institutions of higher learning."

Bonia Group of Companies director Datuk Nik Hussain Nik Ali said Bonia presented RM50,000 or four per cent of the proceeds of the sale.

Dr Siti Hasmah, who is the wife of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, said the unique fund-raising project had benefited both Puspanita and the Bonia Group of Companies.

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