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BN component parties play their part for good cause

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. - Barisan Nasional component parties and their respective members today contributed a total RM160,306.37 and 220 Thai baht (RM18.42) to the Dewan Tunku Canselor Restoration Fund.

From the amount, Umno donated RM25,000 and the 220 baht while MCA, MIC, Gerakan, PBB, SUPP, SNAP, PBDS, LDP, SAPP, PBRS and UPKO donated RM10,000 each. The People's Progressive Party (PPP) gave RM5,000.

The other donations were from the BN delegates at the coalition's annual convention.

Prime Minister and BN chairman Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad announced the collection amount after his winding-up speech at the convention at the Merdeka Hall in the Putra World Trade Centre.

Dr Mahathir later handed over the contributions, in cash, cheques and pledges, to the New Straits Times Sdn Bhd group editor Datuk Ahmad A. Talib.

The New Straits Times initiated the restoration fund a day after Universiti Malaya's Dewan Tunku Canselor was razed in a pre-dawn fire last Friday.

With the contribution from BN and its members, the fund now stands at RM890,000.

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