

GMI marks 10th anniversary with charity run

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KUALA LUMPUR, Sun. — The German-Malaysian Institute organised a charity run at Dataran Merdeka today in conjunction with the institute's 10th anniversary.

The event was in aid of the National Cancer Council and two other charities, Orphans and Poor Children Welfare Association of Selangor and Poverty Eradication Foundation.

Hundreds of participants, including schoolchildren, students and staff of Majlis Amanah Rakyat's (Mara) educational institutions, colleges and other institutions of higher learning took part.

It was flagged off by Entrepreneur Development Minister Datuk Seri Mohamed Nazri Abdul Aziz.

Also present were the German Ambassador to Malaysia Jurgen A. R. Staks and Mara director-general Datuk Mohamed Mydin Mohd Sherif.

Mohamed Nazri said Mara would send 45 students to Germany to study automotive engineering after they had completed a two-year preparatory course at the GMI in Malaysia.

There are the first batch of students to be sent to Germany following the memorandum of understanding signed with the Bavarian Government.

He said Mara had signed a MoU with the Bavarian Ministry of Science, Research and Arts during Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's recent visit there.

Mohamed Nazri also said the Russian Government was interested to place Malaysian students at its universities, including 50 in the medical and English language faculties.

Meanwhile, Mohamed Mydin said 150 Malaysian students were pursuing their studies in automotive, electronic and mechatronic engineering in Germany.