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SAPURA CONTRIBUTES RM150,000 FOR AIDS FOUNDATION CAMPAIGN

KUALA LUMPUR, Sept 18 (Bernama) -- The Sapura Group has contributed RM150,000 to the Malaysian Aids Foundation (MAF) in support of its latest venture, the Red Ribbon Futsal Challenge 2003, as its official event sponsor.

Speaking after the cheque presentation, Sapura Telecommunications Bhd. Chief Operating Officer Rodzlan Akib Abu Bakar said the RM150,000 was to organise the game and pay for the trophies and cash prizes.

The Sapura Group is a 100 per cent Malaysian-owned technology based organisation and its businesses include Information Communications and Technology and defence.

MAF President Datin Paduka Marina Mahathir, who received the cheque on behalf of the council, said the Futsal Challenge would see teams vying for prizes worth RM20,000 in cash and trophies.

"Futsal is an indoor sport that is fast gaining popularity in Malaysia," she said.

"The two-day Red Ribbon Futsal Challenge 2003, to be held on Oct 4-5, aims to raise RM200,000 for our HIV/AIDS programmes," Marina said.

The matches will be played at Sports Unlimited ground, Lot 14, Jalan Bersatu 13/4, Petaling Jaya, from 9am on both days.

The competition will be divided into three categories: Premier for men and women aged 25 yrs and above; Star for boys and mixed team of boys/girls aged 17-24 yrs; and Junior for boys and mixed team for those aged 16 yrs and below.

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