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Ansara to raise RM1m for needy students

KUALA LUMPUR, Tues. - Ansara, the association of former Maktab Rendah Sains Mara students, hopes to raise RM1 million to help poor students of all races through the National Telethon for Education 2004.

The fund-raising programme towards the Tabung Harapan Ihsan Pelajar was launched by Ansara patron Tun Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, here, today.

Ansara president Datuk Mukhriz Mahathir said more than RM500,000 had been collected so far from the corporate sector.

Among the contributors were Celcom (M) Bhd (RM250,000), UEM Group (RM150,000) and Jaya Jusco Stores Bhd (RM50,000).

The money would go towards organising tuition centres, students' school fees, monthly allowances, scholarships and loans, including emergency loans.

To contribute to the fund, the public can send short messaging service by typing "TABUNG HIP" and send it to 36600, at RM10 per SMS.

The public can also contribute by calling 600-86-1077, or sending money orders to P.O Box 10761, 50724 Kuala Lumpur, by March 1.