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Crest-Jaseri races for a good cause

PUTRAJAYA, Mon. - For most racing teams, a podium finish is the ultimate goal. But the Crest-Jaseri team added a fund-raising element to its race at the fourth Merdeka Millennium Endurance Race held in August.

Led by Datuk Mokhzani Mahathir, the team had initiated a "Racing for Charity" campaign, where more than 200 individuals and organisations had pledged to donate at least RM1 per lap.

The team managed to collect RM246,000 and the collection was donated to various charitable organisations.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad's wife Datuk Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali handed over the cheques to Ahila Padmanathan of the Malaysian Liver Foundation, Datuk Abdul Gani Che Man, who is vice-president of the Thalassaemia Association, and Bangi Orphans Home chairman Dr Supyan Hussin at Seri Perdana.

Also present were race drivers Alex Yoong and Faizal Hakimi and Crest-Jaseri manager Gary Khor.

Mokhzani said the team would continue to support charity and urged more organisations and individuals to participate. "By doing so, the public can have fun while doing something meaningful."