

Petronas Sponsors 21,000 Students at Cost of RM 2.8 Billion Since 1975

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SERI ISKANDAR, June 8 (Bernama) -- Petronas has spent RM2.8 billion on 21,000 students under its Petronas Education Sponsorship Programme (PESP) since 1975.

Its human resource management senior vice-president, Raiha Azni Abdul Rahman said since Petronas was established in 1974, the programme had been Petronas' main effort in contributing to the development of sustainable human resource in the country.

Speaking at the PESP scholarship-presentation ceremony at Universiti Teknologi Petronas (UTP) here today, Raiha Azni said Petronas planned to make Malaysia the regional hub for education and learning in oil and gas.

She said this would be realised through Petronas educational institutions like the UTP, Petronas Petroleum Technology Institute and Petronas Leadership Centre, and the Malaysian Maritime Academy.

"This effort can help in human resource development for the national oil and gas industry as well as the related support services industry."

On the Petronas sponsorship this year, she said the organisation received more than 9,000 applications from students who sat for their Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) examination in 2013.

Of these, 316 were successful in getting the scholarship based on merit.

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