

Syria In Urgent Need Of Food, Water, Medicines - Islamic Relief Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, April 9 (Bernama) -- Food, water and medicines.

According to non-governmental organisation, Islamic Relief Malaysia (IRM), these make up Syria's current most pressing needs.

Its chief executive officer, Zairulshahfuddin Zainal Abidin said although that country was under the supervision of the Islamic Relief Syria (IRS) since 2012, Malaysians could contribute to IRM for distribution to the IRS.

According to him, following the latest attacks in the Idlib province, two hospitals assisted by the IRS were severely damaged.

"However, we will continue efforts to help in this emergency situation as those in Syria really need food, water and medicines," he said.

Zairulshahfuddin was speaking to reporters after flagging off about 500 participants in the charity run, jointly organised by IRM and the International Islamic University Malaysia here today.

The charity run is aimed at raising funds for mushroom cultivation project in Lombok, Indonesia.

Zairulshahfuddin said Islamic Relief (an international relief and development charity/non-governmental organisation with United Nations Economic and Social Council consultative status since 1993) branches had been operating in Syria's neighbouring countries, namely Lebanon, Jordan and Iraq.

"In January 2012, we made the critical decision to go in Syria and help... we must remember Syria is a war zone country," he noted.

On the mushroom cultivation project, he said the fund from the charity run would be distributed to the Islamic Relief Indonesia to assist the Women Farmers Group comprising 20 single mothers and those from poor backgrounds in Lombok to earn an income.

--BERNAMA

© 2017 BERNAMA. All Rights Reserved. [Disclaimer](#) | [Privacy Policy](#) | [Security Policy](#)

Source: <http://www.bernama.com/bernama/v8/newsindex.php?id=1345911>