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Company presents total donation to MyKasih's innovative cashless system to aid families

MORE than 470 Halliburton Energy Services (M) Sdn Bhd employees working in Labuan, Miri, Kemaman and the Klang Valley reached into their pockets to raise RM61,500 for flood victims in Kelantan.

The money was presented to the MyKasih Foundation in a simple ceremony.

Halliburton's regional vice-president Asia-Pacific Rao Abdullah said he hoped the money would make a positive difference to the lives of 246 flood-affected families in Kelantan.

"We chose MyKasih because we know that the money will be channelled directly to targeted recipients via their MyKad," added Abdullah.

MyKasih Foundation chairman and co-founder Tan Sri Dr Ngau Boon Keat shared his personal experience of being helped as a young child.

"I experienced hunger. Just like the flood victims, my family had lost everything. We survived because of

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the kindness of our neighbours.

"It was this childhood memory that led me to set up MyKasih Foundation six years ago.

"The foundation's mission is to feed and educate the poor as we realise that education is what will get those families out of poverty," added Dr Ngau.

The foundation has to-date successfully raised RM5.85mil.

A total of 23,400 affected families in Kelantan, Pahang and Terengganu

will soon to purchase RM250 worth of food as well as basic household appliances through their MyKad.

This initiative is part of MyKasih's post-flood relief efforts to help low-income households cope after the devastation of the floods.

The foundation was established by Dr Ngau and his wife Puan Sri Jean Ngau.

It also offers capacity building programmes that encompass

financial management, skills and entrepreneurship training, health awareness and basic medical screening, scholarships for tertiary education as well as job placements.

Since its inception in 2009, the Foundation has provided aid to more than 210,000 low-income households in over 250 locations nationwide, including Sabah and Sarawak.

The foundation also provides cashless payments for fuel, medical treatments and public transportation.