

# Petronas provides a year's food aid to 4,200 underprivileged families

**KUCHING:** Petroleum Nasional Berhad (Petronas) is reaching out to deserving communities through its 'Sentuhan Kasih' programme by providing monthly food aid for a year to 4,200 families in Kedah, Selangor, Kelantan, Sabah and Sarawak.

More than RM5 million has been allocated for the programme aimed at improving the livelihood of communities.

In addition to receiving a monthly contribution of RM80 for a year, the selected families will also receive RM240 each during festive seasons, to help with the celebration.

All contributions will be made via cashless payment, where recipients can obtain essential food items at partnering supermarkets using their MyKad.

According to Petronas senior general manager (group strategic communications) Zaharia Abdul Rahman, the programme is a key Corporate Social Investment (CSI) aimed at contributing to society.

"We hope the contribution will



help ease the families' burden in managing their daily expenses, especially for those with many children," she said.

To reach out to more families in need, Petronas is looking at expanding the programme to other states in Malaysia.

The contributions will be administered and distributed through the MyKasih Foundation from April 2018 to March 2019.

Since 2005, Petronas has embarked on several community initiatives including the 'Sentuhan Kasih' programmes aimed at contributing to the well-being of society and the nation.