

FGV Community Learning Centre Students Take School Exams Online

Various online activities and programmes were also carried out throughout Ramadan 2021

SABAH, 12 May 2021 – As a proactive measure to ensure the right to education among the children of its migrant plantation workers is not affected by the COVID-19 pandemic situation, FGV Holdings Berhad (FGV) has recently conducted an online school exam for FGV Community Learning Centre students (CLC) in Sahabat province (CLC FGV Sahabat), Sabah.

The exams took place over a period of five days from 26 to 30 April 2021, and was conducted simultaneously in nine villages in the Sahabat region, namely Kampung Baiduri Ayu, Kampung Cenderawasih, Kampung Embara Budi, Kampung Fajar Harapan, Kampung Gemalapura, Kampung Hamparan Badai, Kampung Jeragan Bistari, Kampung Kembara Sakti, and Kampung Mercu Puspita.

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Syed Mahdhar Syed Hussain, FGV Group Divisional Director of Plantation Sector said, "FGV is always aware of the development and needs of our workers' children at CLC FGV Sahabat, especially in facing this challenging condition of COVID-19."

"The method of online exams is a positive step in ensuring our CLC students are safer from infection, and do not miss out on learning. The students utilised computers and internet facilities provided by CLC FGV Sahabat in addition to mobile phones, and results are due to be out on 2 June 2021," said Syed Mahdhar.

The online exam was conducted for 88 standard six students (age 12-13 years old), and 25 form three students (age 16-17 years old) who are taking the primary and secondary school education qualification certificates supervised by Kota Kinabalu Indonesian School (SIKK). Graduating standard six students will continue their studies to form one at FGV's CLC, while form three students will continue their studies to form four at boarding schools in Indonesia.

For CLC FGV Sahabat students selected to continue their studies to form four, the Ministry of Education and Culture of the Republic of Indonesia provides scholarship allocations under the Repatriation Scholarship Programme, in collaboration with the Consulate General of the Republic of Indonesia in Kota Kinabalu, Consulate of the Republic of Indonesia in Tawau, SIKK, and Sabah Bridge Education Foundation.



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Apart from the online exam, CLC FGV Sahabat also organised various online programmes throughout the month of Ramadan for CLC students in Lahad Datu, Kinabatangan 2 and Kinabatangan 3 zones. Among the programmes conducted include tadarus Al-Quran, hafazan and Azan contest, Israk Mikraj appreciation, short religious talks, Islamic calligraphy and nasyid singing performance. Contestants needed to upload their respective entries into the official YouTube channel of CLC FGV Sahabat. Overall, CLC FGV Sahabat achieved victory as the General Champion 1 in the zones mentioned.

In line with FGV's ongoing commitment in fulfilling the right

to education of the children of migrant plantation workers, FGV has allocated RM500,000 to build two new CLC buildings in Kampung Hamparan and Cenderawasih, Sabah. Construction is expected to be completed in October 2021.

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