

BIBD HANDS OVER DONATIONS AND AWARD AT ANNUAL MAJLIS KHATAM AL-QURAN KELUARGA BIBD

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June 9th, 2017 - BIBD today provided relief and support to single mothers and orphans in BIBD as well as twenty under privileged ALAF families at their annual 'Majlis Khatam Al-Quran Keluarga BIBD'.

BIBD also presented an incentive award to Dayang Nurhafikah binti Awang Hj Bakri, BIBD's own ALAF Programme student who achieved Mumtaz (Excellent) grade in the Higher Certificate of Religious Studies examination in 2016. As a continuation for her development under the ALAF Programme, Norhafikah, a student at Sekolah Ugama Arab Menengah Perempuan Raja Isteri Pengiran Anak Damit, will be continuing her studies in Shariah Law at Cairo University by the end of June 2017.

The event, held at the Indera Samudera Hall of The Empire Hotel, started with Tadarus and Khatam recitals among BIBD personnel. This was followed by a religious talk by BIBD's own Shariah Advisory Body member, Yang Mulia Dr Hj Noralizam bin Hj Aliakbar.

Just before Iftar, the event concluded with the handover of donations and award by BIBD's Chairman and Minister of Development, Yang Berhormat Dato Seri Setia Awang Haji Bahrin bin Abdullah, and Shariah Advisory Body member and Deputy State Mufti Yang Mulia Dato Seri Setia Dr Haji Japar bin Haji Mat Dain @ Maidin.

BIBD Managing Director, Yang Mulia Mubashar Khokhar, commented, "Alhamdulillah, we have been able to further extend our support during this holy month. The event is part of our efforts to share our blessings with

everyone in the community so we all may go through the blessed months in serenity.”

In keeping up with the spirit of Ramadhan, the khatam and handing-over of donations event is part of BIBD’s efforts to provide support to the Bruneian community, which includes BIBD’s donations to around 5,000 orphans via its collaboration with the Ministry of Culture Youth and Sports, annual Sirah Amal programme and the on-going developments of its BIBD ALAF programme.

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