



**PRESS RELEASE**

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**PNB CONTRIBUTES OVER RM23 MILLION  
TO AID MALAYSIA'S FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19**

**Kuala Lumpur, 13 April 2020:** In response to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, Permodalan Nasional Berhad (PNB) announced today its philanthropic support to support those most in need via various donations and Covid-19 relief efforts, contributing since the outbreak, a combined total of over **RM23 million**.\*

PNB Group Chairman, Tan Sri Dr. Zeti Aziz said, "During times such as this when we must all stand together to collectively curtail the spread of Covid-19, PNB is dedicated to lending a hand in whatever way we can. The Ministry of Health (MOH) and all healthcare front liners have the most critical role and it is PNB's honour to be able to provide support in the form of vital medical equipment and financial assistance."

"To further support the Covid-19 recovery and relief efforts, PNB has also donated to the Government-Linked Companies (GLCs) and Government-Linked Investment Companies' (GLICs) Disaster Response Network (GDRN). Financial support has also been extended to the Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC) to boost the centre's readiness level, and to the zakat institutions to help Malaysians in need to weather through this unprecedented period. To help reduce the burden on businesses which may experience a severe financial impact during this period, PNB is providing a rental waiver for all SME tenants in PNB-owned properties. It is our hope that through these efforts, PNB will be able to contribute towards making a difference in the fight against this pandemic."

PNB's contributions include the following:

### **Donations to MOH**

1. Four (4) intensive care ventilators worth a total of RM637,560/- to treat Covid-19 patients;
2. RM3.1 million to the Institute for Medical Research (IMR) under MOH to upgrade diagnostic testing services;
3. RM70,180/- to the CPRC to finance the cost of essential equipment needed in containing the spread of Covid-19;
4. RM1.97 million to the Department of Medical Social Work, to be distributed to 21 hospitals across the country identified by MOH to provide further support to the front liners;
5. RM3.5 million to the same department to be channelled to 41 hospitals throughout the nation, to provide immediate financial assistance to underprivileged patients;
6. RM2.3 million to the GDRN, which will go towards assisting MOH to purchase medical supplies, personal protective equipment and other requirements; and
7. A contribution of RM11.2 million earlier in the year to assist MOH in the purchasing of medical equipment and financing of upgrading works at 23 hospitals around the country, to contribute towards strengthening the country's health services in the current situation.

### **Donations to other organisations**

8. In support of recently launched initiatives by zakat institutions to assist small business owners, a total of RM800,000/- was donated to Pusat Pungutan Zakat-MAIWP. A first tranche of RM300,000/- was distributed to some 600 entrepreneurs in Wilayah Persekutuan, and a second allocation of RM500,000/- was provided for those facing similar hardships around the country, including B40 households and daily wage earners impacted by loss of income.

### **Other support**

9. PNB's hospitality arm, Attana Hotels & Resorts Sdn Bhd, distributed food to front liners at Hospital Sungai Buloh, a non-governmental organisation (NGO) - OKU Sentral, as well as to uniformed bodies, in appreciation of their committed and dedicated efforts and to help boost morale.
10. In line with the Government's stimulus package to aid small and medium enterprises (SMEs), PNB will be providing a three-month rental waiver to approximately 500 SME businesses which are currently tenants in PNB-owned properties, as well as a rental waiver to all tenants for the duration of the Movement Control Order.

Meanwhile, PNB expresses its gratitude to Bank Negara Malaysia and to the partner commercial banks of its unit trust company, Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB), for providing the six-month moratorium on consumer loans with effect from 1 April 2020. This initiative grants a temporary reprieve for unit holders who have taken out loans to finance their investments in the Amanah Saham Bumiputera (ASB) and ASB 2 unit trust funds.

Along with PNB's contributions, its major investee companies including Maybank, Sime Darby Berhad, Sime Darby Plantation, Sime Darby Property, UMW Holdings Berhad, SP Setia, Sapura Energy, Duopharma Biotech Berhad, MIDF Berhad and others have also undertaken wide ranging initiatives. This ranges from financial aid to donations in kind, contributions to Covid-19 funds such as the GDRN and to NGOs such as MERCY Malaysia, as well as sponsorship of medical equipment and supplies.

*\*This amount excludes the rental waiver for SME tenants in PNB-owned properties and food contribution by its hospitality arm, Attana Hotels and Resorts Sdn Bhd to front liners.*

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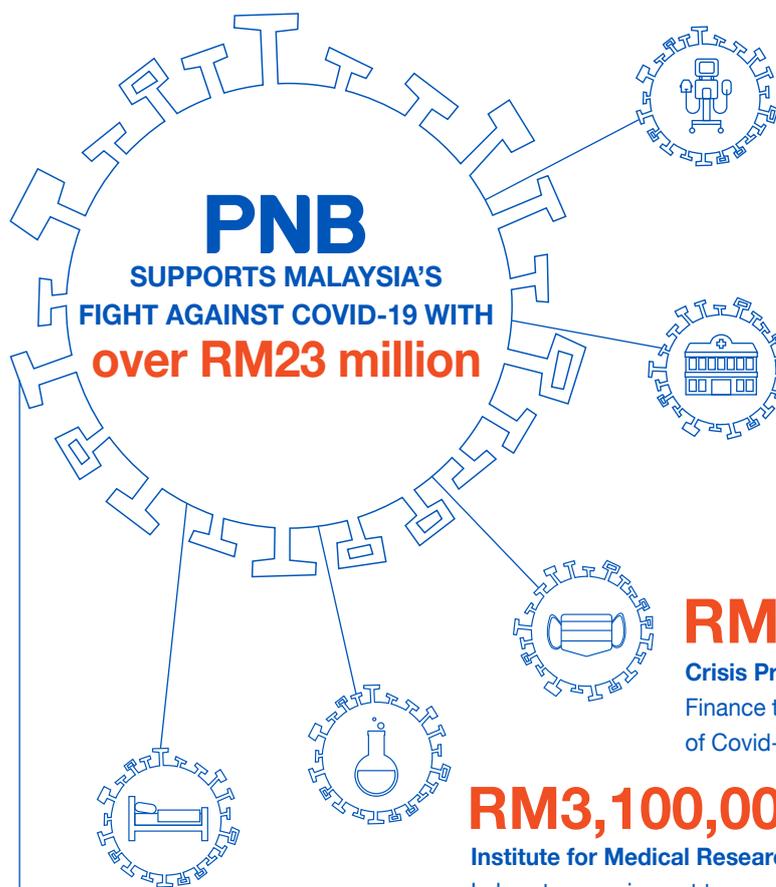
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#### **Amanah Saham Nasional Berhad (ASNB)**

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## RM11,837,560

### Ministry of Health (MOH)

- Four (4) intensive care ventilators to treat Covid-19 patients.
- Medical equipment and financing of upgrading works at 23 hospitals around the country.

## RM5,470,000

### Department of Medical Social Work

- Donation to be distributed to 21 hospitals across the country identified by MOH.
- Channelled to 41 hospitals throughout the nation, for the purposes of providing immediate financial assistance to underprivileged patients.

## RM70,180

### Crisis Preparedness and Response Centre (CPRC)

Finance the cost of essential equipment needed in containing the spread of Covid-19.

## RM3,100,000

### Institute for Medical Research under MOH

Laboratory equipment to upgrade diagnostic testing services.

## RM2,300,000

### Government Disaster Response Network (GDRN)

Assisting MOH to purchase medical supplies, personal protective equipment and other requirements



## RM800,000

### Pusat Pungutan Zakat - MAIWP

- To assist small business owners and distributed to some 600 entrepreneurs in Wilayah Persekutuan.
- For those facing similar hardships around the country, including B40 households and daily wage earners impacted by loss of income.



### Hospital Sungai Buloh, NGO - OKU Sentral

Distributed food to front liners, as well as to uniformed bodies, in appreciation of their committed efforts and to help boost morale.



### SME businesses which are currently tenants in PNB - owned properties

Three-month rental waiver to approximately 500 SME businesses which may be impacted by financial constraints during this period.