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PKS-HRDF COLLABORATION ENHANCE HANDICRAFT DEVELOPMENT

KENINGAU (Tuesday) – Yayasan Sabah Group (YSG) will continue to be committed in human capital development through various handicraft development programmes, said the Director of Yayasan Sabah, Datuk Sapawi Bin Haji Ahmad.

His speech was read by Group Manager of Pusat Kraftangan Sabah (PKS), Puan Zaiton Bakri, during the presentation of Certificate of Completion of the Basic Handicraft Training Programme (LAKSK) under the Special Programme Intended for Community Enrichment (SPICE) held today at Dewan Salingkawang, PKS, Keningau.

As many as 45 trainees received their certificates of completion in *Seni kraf Hasil Rimba – Anyaman Buluh* and *Seni kraf Tekstil – Membatik*. The trainings were held at PKS and at Kg. Bakuku, Ulu Tomani, Tenom for three months. “This is a noble effort by Yayasan Sabah Group and Human Resource Development Fund (HRDF) Malaysia under the Human Resources Ministry in developing individuals,” said Datuk Sapawi.

He also shared, “I am proud with the trainees’ achievements today who have gained a lot of knowledge in the course of three months. I am confident that with the commitment and dedication of PKS staff, especially the trainers, the skills that these trainees gained can be a platform for them to draw their future.”

“I believe that the collaboration between PKS and HRDF is a smart partnership in an effort to help the youth in gaining experience and be involved in handicraft making,” said Datuk Sapawi.

PKS has been playing an important role in inculcating interest and passion towards local handicraft and Sabah batik among the local communities. “Since its establishment in June 2012, PKS stands tall with other handicraft producers that are more experienced and making a mark in the industry,” said Datuk Sapawi.

Datuk Sapawi added, “I hope that the collaboration between PKS and HRDF will be strengthened and will be able to add to the efforts of developing the youth of Sabah.”

Pix 1 :
Trainees sharing their joy on completing their training.



Pix 2 :
Puan Zaiton presenting a certificate to one of the recipients. Looking on (from left) are Puan Vivian Evans, Manager, Pusat Kraftangan Sabah, Encik Murali A/L Muniandy, Assistant Manager Special Programme Division, Human Resource Development Fund, Encik Ahmad Shah, Assistant District Officer Keningau and Encik Suhaili Guraiman, Assistant District Officer Tenom.



Pix 3 : Puan Zaiton (left), Encik Murali (second, left), Encik Ahmad Shah (second, right) and Encik Suhaili (third, right) looking at the handicrafts made by the trainees.



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