Etiqa's Media Clippings of April 2021

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29 April 2021, Utusan Malaysia

Etiqa contributes 300 units of Oxygen Flow Meters to Sungai Buloh Hospital

PRODUK

Etiqa Takaful sumbang 300 unit meter aliran oksigen kepada Hospital Sungai Buluh



Oleh Aznan Bakar 23 April 2021, 3.03 pm

PETALING JAYA: Etiqa General Takaful Berhad (EGTB) telah menyumbang 300 unit meter aliran oksigen kepada Hospital Sungai Buloh di Selangor, yang merupakan hospital utama bagi rujukan serta penyelidikan dan pembangunan untuk kes-kes Covid-19 di negara ini.

Hospital tersebut telah mengalami peningkatan jumlah pesakit yang dijangkiti oleh Covid-19 dan kini boleh menyediakan lebih banyak katil dengan alat sokongan oksigen hasil daripada bantuan yang dihulurkan.

Meter aliran oksigen adalah komponen penting dalam merawat pesakit-pesakit Covid-19, kerana ia mengukur aliran oksigen yang diberikan kepada pesakit daripada unit pengeluaran oksigen tersebut.

Alat tersebut boleh digunakan dengan sendirinya atau dipasang pada tangki oksigen.

Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Etiqa General Takaful Berhad, Shahrul Azuan Mohamed, berkata, Etiqa General Takaful Berhad merasa berbesar hati kerana diberi kesempatan untuk membantu Hospital Sungai Buloh dalam pertempurannya menentang penularan wabak Covid-19 dengan menyumbang sebanyak 300 unit meter aliran oksigen.

"Dengan peningkatan jumlah kes semasa Covid-19, meter aliran oksigen tambahan akan membolehkan hospital untuk merawat lebih banyak pesakit pada masa yang mencabar ini," katanya.

"Walaupun sudah lebih dari setahun sejak negara mula berjuang menentang penularan wabak Covid-19, saya ingin mengingatkan agar anda semua untuk memainkan peranan anda dalam memastikan wabak ini tidak menular lebih jauh lagi. Mari kita terus mematuhi SOP yang telah ditetapkan, serta memutuskan rantaian penularannya," tambahnya.

Sejak bermulanya pandemik ini, Etiqa secara aktif telah membantu negara dalam memerangi wabak Covid-19.

"Antara inisiatif yang telah kami lakukan adalah menyumbang sebanyak 2.7 juta unit picagari Low Dead Volume (LDV) yang sangat diperlukan oleh Kerajaan untuk melaksanakan fasa pertama Pelan Imunisasi Covid-19 Kebangsaan, menyumbang kepada pembelian ventilator untuk digunakan oleh hospital yang memerangi wabak tersebut, dan juga memberikan sokongan pencegahan kepada Hospital Kerajaan dengan menyumbang RM10Juta untuk lebih dari 68,000 kit ujian Covid-19," katanya.

29 April 2021, Kosmo
Etiqa's Zakat Contribution

NIAGA



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PPZ-MAIWP terima zakat RM18.5j

Oleh KOSMO! 29 April 2021, 9:24 am

PETALING JAYA – Pusat Pungutan Zakat – Majlis Agama Islam Wilayah Persekutuan (PPZ-MAIWP) menerima bayaran zakat perniagaan berjumlah RM18.5 juta daripada 11 syarikat korporat di Masjid Negara, Kuala Lumpur semalam.

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Sementara itu, Syed Ali Alhabshee merakamkan jutaan terima kasih kepada kesemua syarikat korporat yang telah membayar zakat di PPZ-MAIWP.

"Bulan Ramadan adalah masa terbaik untuk kita melipat gandakan ibadah. Oleh itu, ambillah kesempatan pada bulan ini untuk berbuat kebaikan dan berkongsi rezeki dengan mereka yang memerlukan sebagai tanda kita mensyukuri nikmat yang diberi oleh Allah," katanya.

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PPZ-MAIWP terima daripada 11 syarikat korporat

Zakat perniagaan RM18.59 juta

PETALING JAYA: Pusat Pungutan Zakat Majlis Agama Islam Wilayah Persekutuan (PPZ-MAIWP) telah menerima bayaran zakat perniagaan berjumlah RM18.59 juta daripada 11 syarikat korporat.

Syarikat korporat terbabit ialah Amanah Hartanah Berhad sebanyak (RM3.32 juta), Etiqa Family Takaful Berhad (RM452,000), Etiqa General Takaful Berhad (RM410,000), Koperasi Ladang Berhad (RM574,049.79), Koperasi Permodalan Felda Malaysia Berhad (RM1.67 juta), Lembaga Tabung Haji (RM9.171 juta).

Syarikat lain ialah, Malaysia Debt Ventures Berhad (RM191,639.23), Maybank Islamic Berhad (RM420,171.35), Perbadanan Harta Intelek Malaysia (RM1.967 juta), Ri Network Sdn. Bhd. (RM300,000) dan Sime Darby Property Berhad (RM100,000).

Majlis penyerahan zakat perniagaan tersebut telah diadakan di Masjid Negara semalam dengan dihadiri Pengerusi PPZ-MAIWP, Datuk Seri Syed Ali Alhabshee dan Pengerusi MAIWP, Datuk Dr. Mohd. Daud Bakar.



MAJLIS penyerahan zakat perniagaan oleh syarikat-syarikat korporat kepada PPZ-MAIWP di Masjid Negara, Kuala Lumpur, semalam.

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> KENYATAAN PPZ-MAIWP

Turut hadir, Pengarah Jabatan Agama Islam Wilayah Persekutuan (Jawi) merangkap Setiausaha MAIWP, Datuk Muhd. Ajib Ismail dan Pemangku Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif PPZ-MAIWP, Abdul Hakim Amir Osman.

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Sementara itu, Syed Ali merakamkan penghargaan dan ucapan terutama kasih kepada kesemua syarikat yang telah membayar zakat di pusat berkenaan.

"Bulan Ramadan ini adalah masa terbaik untuk kita melipatgandakan ibadah. Oleh itu, ambillah kesempatan pada bulan ini untuk berbuat kebaikan dengan berkongsi rezeki dengan mereka yang memerlukan sebagai tanda kita mensyukuri nikmat yang diberikan oleh Allah SWT," katanya.

8 April 2021, New Straits Times
The Launch of Etiqa's Free Cervical Screening Programme

NEW STRAITS TIMES

HEAL

Working together for women's health

By Meera Murugesan
April 10, 2021 @ 8:00am

AS part of efforts to eliminate cervical cancer in Malaysia, Etiqa and the Rose Foundation have launched Phase 2 of Etiqa's Free Cervical Screening Programme.

First launched in July 2019, the programme aims to detect and treat women who screen positive for the human papillomavirus (HPV), the cause of cervical cancer. Despite being preventable, cervical cancer is the third most common cancer among women in Malaysia and the fourth most common cancer among women globally.

Phase 1 of the maiden programme which screened over 6,000 women from selected B40 communities in Peninsular Malaysia, Sabah and Sarawak was completed successfully despite the challenges posed by the

Covid-19 pandemic and the ensuing lockdowns.

In addition, the programme was extended to frontliners under the "Frontliners Uniting Against Cervical Cancer" campaign where it screened approximately 1,500 nurses and police and army personnel helping

to fight the pandemic in Malaysia.

The three components of the programme are self-sampling, HPV DNA testing and the use of a mobile e-platform. Women are provided with a personal test kit which allows them to carry out the HPV test themselves.

Their samples are then sent to the Rose Laboratory for HPV testing. Results of the HPV test are communicated to the women via mobile phone and those with a positive test result are linked to a government hospital for appropriate follow-up. The unique feature of the programme is that this is not merely a self-screening test but with the use of digital technology, all women who test positive for HPV DNA are linked to care and receive appropriate management as well.

Unlike a conventional pap smear which involves a yearly pelvic examination, this programme offers women the choice of using a self-swab; a quick, convenient and effective approach to enable molecular tests to be undertaken, followed by prompt delivery of results.

Malaysia's adoption in Aug 2020 of the World Health Organisation's Global Strategy to Accelerate the Elimination of Cervical Cancer as a Public Health Problem, represents a milestone in the fight against cervical cancer. The WHO strategy emphasises the need for the integrated implementation of services within communities, ensuring equity in access to screening and treatment and financial protection for all women. It outlines the three pillars of cervical cancer elimination: HPV vaccination, cervical screening and treatment, and concrete targets to be achieved by 2030.

Chair of the Rose Foundation and infectious diseases specialist at the University of Malaya, Datuk Professor Dr Adeeba Kamarulzaman says the mission of the Rose Foundation is to serve the under-screened and under-privileged population.

"Cervical cancer is another example of inequity where 80 per cent of the global incidence of cervical cancer happens in lower middle-income countries."

Etiqa Group chairman, Datuk R Karunakaran, says it's important to highlight the fact that cervical cancer is the third most common cancer among Malaysian women, but the only cancer that can be eliminated with proper preventive and intervention measures.

"We hope to reach more communities and promote self-care intervention for women's reproductive health and rights," he says



The second phase of the cervical cancer screening programme has been launched.

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HEALTH

Etiqa, Rose Foundation launch Phase 2 of Etiqa's free cervical screening programme

'Program Rose' offers women the dignified choice of using a self-swab; a quick, convenient, and effective approach



(From left) Datin Seri Datuk Asmawati Ahmad, Kolonel (Dr) Che Hasnura Che Hassan, Prof Woo Ying Ling, Siti Nita Zuhra Mohd Nazri, Datuk R. Karunakaran, and Datuk Professor Dr Adeeba Kamarulzaman. – Etiqa pic, April 8, 2021

AS part of efforts to eliminate cervical cancer in Malaysia, Etiqa and the Rose Foundation launched Phase 2 of Etiqa's Free Cervical Screening Programme recently, in conjunction with World Health Day yesterday.

Etiqa's Free Cervical Screening Programme was first launched in July 2019 in partnership with the Rose Foundation to detect and treat women who screen positive for the human papillomavirus (HPV), the cause of cervical cancer.

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Due to the success of Etiqa's 'Free Cervical Screening Programme' and 'Frontliners Uniting Against Cervical Cancer' campaigns, the Rose Foundation and Etiqa have entered into the second year of collaboration with the aim to screen another 6,000 eligible women nationwide.

Unlike a conventional Pap smear which involves a yearly pelvic examination, 'Program Rose' offers women the dignified choice of using a self-swab; a quick, convenient, and effective approach to enable molecular tests to be undertaken, followed by prompt delivery of results.

In her speech, Datuk Professor Dr Adeeba Kamarulzaman, chair of Rose Foundation and Infectious Diseases Specialist at the University of Malaya, highlighted Malaysia's commitment to the WHO cervical cancer elimination targets.

"The mission of Rose Foundation, which is to serve the under-screened and underprivileged population, is aligned with this year's World Health Day theme of 'Building a fairer and healthier world'. Cervical cancer is another example of inequity where 80% of the global incidence of cervical cancer happens in lower-middle-income countries."

The programme concluded with a short forum also attended by Etiqa Group chairman Datuk R. Karunakaran titled 'Frontliners Uniting Against Cervical Cancer' featuring Dr Adeeba; Siti Nita Zuhra Mohd Nazri, chief bancassurance officer, Etiqa; Datin Seri Datuk Asmawati Ahmad, former head of corporate communications, Polis Diraja Malaysia (PDRM) and Rose Ambassador; and Kolonel (Dr) Che Hasnura Che Hassan, Obstetrics & Gynaecology Specialist from Hospital Angkatan Tentera Tuanku Mizan. The forum was moderated by Nadiah Hanim Abdul Latif. – The Vibes, April 8, 2021

8 April 2021, Berita Harian
The Launch of Etiqa's Free Cervical Screening Programme

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LAIN-LAIN (WANITA)

Ujian HPV bantu lindungi kanser serviks

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Prof Dr Adeeba (kanan) merasmikan Program Saringan Serviks Percuma Etiqa fasa kedua dengan kerjasama Yayasan ROSE, di sini baru-baru ini.

KUALA LUMPUR: Tahap kesedaran golongan wanita mengenai kepentingan menjalani saringan kanser serviks yang boleh dikesan melalui ujian Human Papillomavirus (HPV), di negara ini masih rendah.

Keputusan saringan HPV positif bukan bermakna wanita akan menghidap kanser serviks, sebaliknya boleh dibendung, meskipun ia adalah barah ketiga paling tinggi paling kerap dideritai wanita di Malaysia dan keempat di dunia.

Pengerusi Yayasan ROSE, Prof Datuk Dr Adeeba Kamarulzaman, berkata sejajar usaha mengekang kanser serviks, yayasan itu dan Etiqa akan meneruskan Program Saringan Serviks Percuma Etiqa fasa kedua.

"Dengan kejayaan keseluruhan menerusi program itu, Yayasan ROSE dan Etiqa bersetuju untuk melanjutkan lagi program itu membabitkan 6,000 wanita pada tahun ini.

"Menerusi program berkenaan menunjukkan komitmen kami untuk membantu populasi yang tidak disaring dan kurang berkemampuan mendapat pendedahan awal mengenai penyakit ini.

"Sasaran Pertubuhan Kesihatan Sedunia (WHO) adalah untuk mengurang dan menyingkirkan kanser serviks," katanya ketika merasmikan Program Saringan Serviks Percuma Etiqa fasa kedua dengan kerjasama Yayasan ROSE, di sini baru-baru ini.

Forum yang bertajuk 'Frontliners Bersatu Mencegah Kanser Serviks' turut diadakan selepas majlis pelancaran itu.

Mengulas mengenai sambutan yang diterima pada fasa pertama, lebih 6,000 wanita mendapat manfaat saringan serviks secara percuma termasuk 1,500 petugas barisan hadapan dalam usaha membanteras kanser itu yang juga barah sering dihadapi wanita di seluruh dunia.

"Fasa pertama program itu dilaksanakan, pada Julai tahun lalu dan kini memasuki fasa kedua. Saringan percuma diberikan kepada 6,000 wanita mengikut lokasi terpilih," katanya.

Tiga komponen Projek ROSE menggabungkan tiga komponen iaitu persampelan sendiri, ujian HPV dan platform digital yang juga sistem bersepadu pertama dilaksanakan di negara ini.

"Wanita diberikan kit ujian diri dan membuat ujian HPV sendiri. Sampel kemudian akan dihantar ke makmal ROSE untuk ujian HPV seterusnya beberapa proses akan dijalankan sekiranya keputusan didapati positif," katanya.

Pada November tahun lalu, syarikat farmaseutikal global, Merck Sharp dan Dohme (MSD) menganugerahkan geran International Neighbour of Choice (INOC) bagi kempen Frontliners Bersatu Mencegah Kanser Serviks.

Awal bulan lalu, kempen 'frontliner' ini mendapat pengiktirafan di dalam Anugerah Kesihatan Awam Global daripada Rangkaian Global bagi Kesihatan Awam Akademik.

Pengerusi Etiqa Group, Datuk R Karunakaran, berkata pihaknya menyedari angka kanser serviks dalam kalangan wanita di negara ini semakin meningkat.

Katanya, ia boleh dikurangkan dengan membuat saringan di peringkat awal. Kejayaan fasa pertama

"Kami berharap dapat membantu lebih ramai komuniti menjaga kesihatan reproduktif mereka," katanya.

2 April 2021, New Straits Times
Etiqa's First Super Premier Workshop

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CARS BIKES TRUCKS

Eurozone Automobile recognized as Etiqa's first Super Premier Workshop



By Nicholas King
April 2, 2021 @ 3:04pm



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In addition to being a top performing workshop, it met the stringent criteria set by Etiqa which includes fast repair time averaging 14 days, and high customer rating of 5 over 5. They were also able to assist their customers in securing claims' approvals in just 30 minutes for claims below RM30,000.

"We are honoured to now be categorized as an Etiqa Super Premier Workshop. We have always put the needs of our customers first, offering them first class service from start to finish, and ensuring that their experience with us is smooth and hassle free. Our workshop is also equipped with the latest equipment and tools so that even the vehicles receive the best care," said Eurozone Automobile's owner Ong Chee Eng.

Eurozone Automobile, said to be equipped with the latest and at present most advanced equipment and tools, offers diagnostic services, vehicle servicing, electrical and mechanical repairs. They are said to only use genuine approved parts, as well as eco-friendly paint material, top-branded lubricants and motor oil.

Its trained technicians are also fully qualified to work on all car models with the use of updated equipment. Facilities such as a café, gym, an entertainment centre, as well as a prayer room are available to waiting customers for use as their vehicles are being attended to.

Etiqa's head of Claims Care Muhammad Azlan Noor Che Mat said, "A Super Premier Workshop is no ordinary workshop, as it is modelled to provide customers an exceptional claims and service experience. We have set very high standards for this category of workshop, and our vision is for our panel Premier Workshops to reach the ranks of the Super Premier Workshop so that we can bring a new standard of Fast & Easy service experiences to more people across the country.

"We are very excited to introduce our customers to Eurozone Automobile, the very first Super Premier Workshop. This is an initiative to take Etiqa's promise of Fast & Easy services to our customers to a whole different level," said Etiqa General Takaful Berhad chief executive officer Shahrul Azuan Mohamed and Etiqa General Insurance Berhad chief executive officer Fukhairudin Mohd Yusof in a joint statement.

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Etiqa's First Super Premier Workshop

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Etiqa's first Super Premier Workshop announced

By CARSIFU | 2 April 2021



KUALA LUMPUR: Etiqa's top premier panel workshop, Eurozone Automobile Sdn Bhd, recently earned the recognition of being named Etiqa's very first Super Premier Workshop.

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For details on Eurozone Automobile, Etiqa's panel Super Premier Workshop, visit ***www.etiqa.com.my***.

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Takaful Industry Continues To Be Resilient Despite Pandemic

By **BusinessToday** - April 9, 2021



The Malaysian Takaful industry continues to show resilience during the pandemic with an increase of seven percent new business contribution for all Family Takaful certificates in 2020, amounting to RM 6.59 billion as compared to RM 6.16 billion in 2019. The new Takaful protection value has increased by 21.4 percent to RM 461.7 billion, from RM380.2 billion in 2019.

The Family Takaful new business single gross contributions registered RM 5.09 billion in 2020, an increase of 4.9 percent from RM 4.85 billion in 2019. while the Family Takaful annual gross contributions of new business have recorded RM1.50 billion in 2020, a double-digit growth of 14.8 percent when compared to RM 1.31 billion in 2019. In terms of distribution channels, Bancatakaful was the main contributors with 41.6 percent followed by Agency for 25.1 percent.

As a whole, the takaful industry added 839,358 new certificates in 2020, marked a significant growth of 14.4%.

This resulted in a notable growth of Family Takaful industry penetration rate, a measure of number of inforce certificates to the total Malaysian population, which has increased to 16.9 percent in 2020 from 15.9 percent in 2019. This also demonstrates that the industry's Takaful protection value has reached to RM1.1 trillion, an increase of 14.5 percent from 2019.

The General Takaful business registered Gross Written Contributions of RM 3.46 billion, an increase of 4.4 percent over the same period in 2019. Motor Takaful portfolio remains at the top position with the share of 66.1 percent [2019: 64.8 percent] of the portfolio mix.

In terms of distribution, both agency and direct distribution channels are the main contributors to the overall growth of general takaful, 59.4 percent and 31.7 percent, respectively. It is also worthy to mention the growth of the Internet channel which has been encouraging. This channel has grown by 22.1 percent from RM174.5 million in 2019 to RM213.1 million gross written contribution in 2020, 96.1 percent of which is motor takaful.

In terms of claims paid, the Net Claims Incurred Ratio (NCIR) has edged down to 55.7 percent in 2020. For motor business, the industry's NCIR decreased to 68.2 percent from 72.7 percent in 2019.

"This promising growth is an evident of positive outcome from reopening of economy during Covid-19 pandemic under the Government's recovery efforts to revitalise economic activities, especially during the third and fourth quarter of 2020." Elmie Aman Najas, the newly elected Chairman of the Malaysian Takaful Association (MTA) today said.

New Office Bearer 2021-2023

In MTA's 19th AGM held on April 7, a new office bearer was elected for the term 2021-2023. Elmie Aman Najas, CEO of AIA PUBLIC Takaful Bhd. has been elected as the new Chairman for the Association. He will be supported by newly elected Deputy Chairman, Mohamed Sabri Ramli, CEO of Syarikat Takaful Malaysia Am Berhad, and Treasurer, Zafri Ab Halim of Etiqa Family Takaful Berhad.

Elmie has 25 years of insurance and takaful experience in multinationals. Previously, he was the Deputy Chairman of MTA. He also serves as a board member for the Institute of Islamic Banking and Finance (IBFIM) and the Insurance Services Malaysia (ISM). He is a Fellow Member of the Chartered Institute of Islamic Finance Professionals (CIIF) and a Fellow of the Malaysian Insurance Institute (MII).

Elmie replace Muhammad Fikri Mohamad Rawi who have served the maximum constitutional terms of four years as MTA Chairman. Encik Muhammad Fikri, who is also the CEO of Sun Life Malaysia Takaful Berhad, has served MTA Management Committee since 2009.

He held various roles in the Association, namely, the Chairman of MTA Corporate Communications Subcommittee, Treasurer, Deputy Chairman and lastly, as MTA Chairman over his 12-year period as a member of MTA Management Committee. MTA would like to put on record the Association's deepest and sincere appreciation to Encik Muhammad Fikri for his contribution to MTA and the industry during his tenure.

The new line-up for members of MTA Management Committee for the term of 2021-2023 are as follows:

Chairman :

Elmie Aman Najas
AIA PUBLIC Takaful Bhd.

Deputy Chairman :

Mohamed Sabri Ramli
Syarikat Takaful Malaysia Am Berhad

Treasurer :

Zafri Ab Halim
Etiqa Family Takaful Berhad

Committee members :

1. Shahrul Azuan Mohamed
Etiqa General Takaful Berhad

2. Shahrul Azlan Shahriman
Great Eastern Takaful Berhad

3. Mohd Asri Omar
Hong Leong MSIG Takaful Berhad

4. Mohammad Nizam Yahya
Malaysian Reinsurance Berhad

5. Wan Saifulrizal Wan Ismail
Prudential BSN Takaful Berhad

6. Marcel Omar Papp
Swiss Re Retakaful (Swiss Re Asia Pte. Ltd)

7. Nor Azman Zainal
Takaful Ikhlas Family Berhad

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