

AmBank-MyKasih community programme

AMBANK (M) Bhd recently opened its newly relocated branch in Sandakan, Sabah while launching its AmBank-MyKasih community programme.

AmBank-MyKasih is the bank's second community programme launched in the state after the first in Kota Kinabalu in October last year and its eighth in the country. The joint events were attended by state exco officials, senior management personnel of the AmBank Group, key corporate clients, and representatives of local government bodies and non-governmental organisations.

"AmBank Sandakan branch relocation and the launch of AmBank-MyKasih are further efforts in our commitment

to the people of Sandakan," said AmBank Group chairman Tan Sri Azman Hashim in a statement.

Currently, there are two branches in Sandakan while nationwide, AmBank Group has 190 branches including three full-fledged Islamic branches.

Azman said AmBank-MyKasih is a food aid and education scheme for those in the lower-income group. The programme is carried out using leading-edge technology via MyKad as a platform to a more equitable distribution of welfare support.

"The funds will ultimately reach the family members directly in the form of essential food supplies they purchase

from selected supermarkets, in this case our partner, Gentingmas. Under this one-year programme for Sandakan, AmBank Group has committed RM104,000 to 100 selected families, providing an allowance of RM20 per family per week to help defray the cost of essential daily food items," he added.

To date, the AmBank Group has committed RM1 million to AmBank-MyKasih. With the launch in Sentul, Penang, Kuching, Kota Baru, Subang Jaya, Kota Kinabalu, Cheras, Klang and Pandan Jaya and now Sandakan, 875 households are now the beneficiaries of this programme.



Sabah Industrial Development Minister Datuk Raymond Tan (2nd left), Sabah Chief Minister Datuk Seri Panglima Musa Aman and Azman at the ribbon-cutting ceremony to launch the branch.