

NEWSLETTER

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1. MICROSOFT OFFICE RETRAINING PROGRAMME

19 & 26 Sep – HELP University and CREST conducted computer skills training for B40 Group over two consecutive weekends. A total of 12 participants attended the MS Word and MS Excel workshops. Besides learning how to use the Microsoft Office software, they also learned how to create their own cloud storage. Equipped with new IT skills, participants can work smarter than before...



The programme was taught by a lecturer from HELP and assisted by staff from HELP, CTI, and CREST. Other than the participants who have benefited from the workshops, the staff also learned something new! We learned sama-sama (together).

“This is good. I'll go home later to create an Excel spreadsheet to track my expenses.” – feedback received from one of the participants.

2. TEMCO – SABAH, PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPEMENT (PPE)



(Left) 29 Sep – Due to a spike in new COVID-19 cases, Lahad Datu, Tawau, Kunak, and Semporna have implemented the Targeted Enhanced Movement Control Order (TEMCO). Hospital Tawau also reached out to CREST for PPEs. We managed to deliver 500 protective and 500 isolation coveralls with the logistics support of Infinity Logistics and Transport SB. Both partners, once again, played an important role to make this door-to-door delivery possible.

(Right) 1 Oct – 260 isolation coveralls were delivered to KLIA. All passengers travelling from Sabah are now required to take the mandatory COVID-19 test.

3. FLOOD ASSISTANCE – KAPIT, SARAWAK

24 Sep – Water level at Rajang River has rose to a dangerous level and placed Kapit, Song and Kanowit on high alert. Kapit District, known as the flood epicentre, and many schools located next to the river experienced floodwaters 20 metres higher than the normal level.



With the coordination of our local partner, LightHouse Kapit, CREST contributed RM5,000 to provide immediate essentials to several boarding schools. Due to the need for clean drinking water, we also installed a water filtration system at Sekolah Kebangsaan Ng Kain (which has a capacity of 80 teachers and students). The system is able to function without electricity supply and maximum filter capacity with 6,000 litres of drinking water per day.

4. WATER FILTRATION IN EMERGENCY WORKSHOP

12 Sep – 9 volunteers gathered to experience how a DIY water filtration system would work in an emergency. For health and safety reasons, volunteers wore masks and were divided into 2 groups to ensure social distancing during the workshop.

To date, we have managed to find 4 different solutions to obtain clean water during a crisis.

