

Doing their part: Chung (right) presenting the cheque to Fatimah.

## National mortgage corporation gives RM120,000 to repair damaged houses

CAGAMAS Berhad (Cagamas), the national mortgage corporation of Malaysia, donated RM120,000 to the Malaysian Red Crescent Society (MRCS) Selangor branch to provide flood relief for states in the east coast.

The cheque was presented by Cagamas president and chief executive officer Chung Chee Leong to MRCS president Fatimah

Sulaiman.

The funds will be used to rebuild and repair houses that were damaged by the floods as well as to buy essential provisions for the victims.

"As Cagamas was established to promote the broader spread of home ownership, the reconstruction and repair of houses is a cause near to our hearts.

"We hope this initiative will help ease the burden of those affected," said Chung.

"Our CSR efforts are driven by a sincere passion to make a difference in people's lives and we are pleased to work with MRCS in making this initiative a success," he added.

Fatimah outlined the objectives of the

donated funds, which included plans for immediate and fast-track repairs to damaged houses in order to be restored to at least minimum functioning levels on a temporary basis. The repairs are estimated to cost about RM5,000 per house.

MRCS is also allocating RM20,000 to build first aid centres in Temerloh and Kuantan.

Fatimah said the relief centres were not equipped with the necessary medical equipment to treat victims who had fallen ill.

MRCS hopes the inception of these first aid centres will spur other centres to follow suit and put more effort into ensuring that victims are able to receive the necessary medical attention they require.

"This endeavour is to complement the government's initiative towards reconstruction efforts in shelter and community infrastructure for the flood victims.

"The plans have been submitted to the relevant agencies for approval. We hope to see results in six months time," said Fatimah.

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