

FGV Allocates RM2.3 Million for Six Plantation Clinics



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KUALA LUMPUR, 20 May 2021 - To fulfil its ongoing commitment to human rights, in particular the right to health for all its employees, FGV Holdings Berhad (FGV) has allocated RM2.3 million to upgrade three clinics and build three new clinics on its plantations. The allocation includes expenditure for the cost of building construction, purchase of medical operating equipment, medicine, communication facilities, ambulances and other necessities.

To date, FGV has 12 clinics nationwide offering outpatient treatment services to local and migrant plantation workers, with five in Sabah, four in Peninsular Malaysia and three in Sarawak.

Three office buildings in Aring 6, Kelantan, Lepar 11, Pahang and Sahabat 36, Sabah have been renovated and transformed into FGV plantation clinics. Meanwhile, three brand new clinic buildings have been built in FGV's plantations in Selendang 3 and Kechau 6 in Pahang, and in Sampadi 4, Sarawak. These plantations were chosen given their remote locations that are far from existing healthcare facilities.

The most recently completed clinic in Sampadi is expected to be fully operational by the third quarter of 2021. The clinic will benefit 400 plantation workers and nearly 200

employees in five FGV plantations namely Sampadi 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6.

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Syed Mahdhar Syed Hussain, Group Divisional Director of FGV's Plantation Sector said the construction of health facilities within these plantations is crucial to facilitate access to healthcare by all FGV employees. Such access becomes more pressing in these unprecedented times of COVID-19.

"FGV strives to ensure that all our plantation workers have access to health services and facilities. With these new clinics, which are under the guidance of the Ministry of Health Malaysia, our workers will have better and easier access to medical treatment."

As part of this initiative, the construction of a clinic in FGV Ladang Bera Selatan 4 plantation in Pahang is expected to be completed in the third quarter of this year. The clinic will provide access to healthcare for 1319 workers in nearby FGV plantations. While in Sabah, FGV has in its pipeline to establish a mobile clinic for workers in its Sahabat plantation.

Furthermore, to create a holistic FGV One Stop Centre (FGV OSC), a clinic will be set up in FGV OSC in Gemencheh, Negeri Sembilan to facilitate medical check-ups for FGV's migrant workers as required by the Foreign Workers Medical Examination Monitoring Agency (FOMEMA).

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