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## MPIB Run 2014 Counting down to Race Day with Launch of Project "Good Deed Shoes 2014"

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"Please do not throw your still good sports shoes away; do a good deed for the Orang Asli Community."

That's the appeal message from the Organizer of Multi-Purpose Insurans Run 2014 when they launch Project "Good Deed Shoes 2014" in conjunction with the "30-days Count Down" to Race Day Cocktail event at the Royal Lake Club on Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> December 2013

Multi-Purpose Insurans Bhd, the Event Owner and Organizer of MPIB Run 2014 would be collecting clean, wearable, pre-loved sports shoes to be donated to the Orang Asli/ Indigenous community of Malaysia. For a start, 2 such communities were identified and they are from Sungai Larah, Ulu Yam and Bukit Tunggul, Dengil, Selangor.

This Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Project came about from regular runners at the My First Run Clinics who shared that they replace their running shoes after clocking 800 to 1,000 km to avoid injuries and most of these shoes are still in good condition. Instead of throwing them, they rather do a good deed by donating them to the Orang Asli community who mostly go bare footed in their daily chores.

Runners are encouraged to drop their pre-loved running shoes or any sports shoes in clean and still good condition at the My First Run Clinic on 21st December 2013 at the Padang Merbuk car park and when they collect their Race Entry Pack from 27<sup>th</sup>



to 29<sup>th</sup> December 2013 at the OCM Training Hall, OCM Indoor Sports Centre, Wisma OCM, Jalan Hang Jebat

Another collection opportunity will be on Race Day on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2014 i.e. before the Race begins. MPIB Run Event Leader Jayne Liew said "we look forward to Runners joining hands to gather as many pairs of pre-loved shoes for the Orang Asli community so that we can reach out to more than the 2 Communities identified at the moment."

Back for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, MPIB Run, a community run event reached the target 5,000 registrants on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2013, 32 days before the published closing date of 30<sup>th</sup> November 2013. MPIB Run is based on the theme "Healthy Lifestyle–Work Life Balance" is for all ages, backgrounds and fitness levels. The Organizing Committee is happy to note that there is an increase in registrants for the competitive categories as compared to the MPIB 2013 Run which reflected an encouraging sign that there is a growing community of runners who have taken up running seriously as part of their keep fit routine.

In preparation for the Run, MPIB has anchored 12 scheduled "My First Run Clinics", especially for first-time runners. The run clinics cover all adequate information for novice runners and it is held at the Padang Merbuk Car Park, at 7.30am on every Saturday until 21st Dec 2013.

This 3<sup>rd</sup> run will again be held at the Padang Merbuk with 8 competitive categories i.e. 4 categories each for the 12KM and 8KM and 2 Fun Run categories of 5KM. A 3 KM walk is being planned for the Runners' family members who wish to join in.

MPIB Run is again made possible by main sponsors; Alliance Bank Malaysia Berhad and New Balance as well as co-sponsors; BP Healthcare Group, Gleneagles Hospital, Hwang Investment Management, KT Tape, Leong Adjustment Sdn. Bhd., Magnum, Mamee, Massimo, Nestle Fitnesse, Nestle Milo, Nestle Ice-cream, Penyelarasan Angkasa Sdn. Bhd., Pilatique, Revive Isotonic, Safeguards, Salonpas, Simply Juice, and TAGs



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For more information on the MPIB Run 2014, please refer to: http://www.mpibrun.com.my/ and http://www.facebook.com/MPIBRun.

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#### **About MPIB Run**

Back for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year, the MPIB Run 2014 kicks start the Running Calendar on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the year and for 2014, it is scheduled to take place on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2014. This community run will host 5,000 participants at the Padang Merbuk, Jalan Parlimen.

MPIB is proud to position itself as the pioneer general insurer in organising a community based public run in Malaysia in 2012. The inaugural event successfully gathered 3,750 runners and for the 2<sup>nd</sup> year in 2013, 5,000 runners participated; an increase of 33% from 2012. On top of that, the registration was closed 3 weeks earlier than the official closing date on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2012. MPIB hopes this is reflective of a growing community adopting a healthy lifestyle and, hence, the event is themed "Healthy Lifestyle – Work Life Balance", aiming to suit to the community from all walks of life.

During the weeks leading up to the Run on 5<sup>th</sup> January 2014, MPIB have scheduled 12 "My First Run Clinic" for interested runners or new runners taking baby steps to the world of running. The clinic also includes health and fitness related talks to furnish runners with fitness knowledge and to prepare them for the Run on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> January 2014.

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