

## **UEM Edgenta and Fire & Rescue Department of Malaysia Join Forces to Establish Mutual Disaster Relief Team**

**KUALA LUMPUR, 9 December** – UEM Edgenta Berhad (UEM Edgenta), a leading Asset Management and Infrastructure Solutions company in the region, has formalized a landmark Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Fire and Rescue Department of Malaysia (JBPM) to establish a Mutual Disaster Relief Team. This strategic collaboration seeks to elevate disaster preparedness, enhance emergency response capabilities, and strengthen recovery efforts across the nation, marking a significant step in fostering safer and more resilient communities.

The MOU signing ceremony, hosted by UEM Edgenta, was attended by YAS Dato' Ts. Nor Hisham Mohammad, Director General of JBPM, Razman Ismail, Chief People Officer of UEM Edgenta and Andrew Raj Varatharaju, Head of Operational Excellence & Health, Safety, Security, and Environment (HSSE) at UEM Edgenta. This collaboration reflects a shared commitment to leveraging expertise and resources to enhance disaster management frameworks and deliver impactful, community-focused solutions. The signing of documents was carried out by YAS Dato' Ts. Nor Hisham Mohammad and Razman Ismail, symbolizing the formalization of this strategic partnership. The MOU underscores both parties' dedication to strengthening disaster management initiatives and promoting community resilience.

Syahrudin Samsudin, Managing Director/Chief Executive Officer of UEM Edgenta, stated, "At UEM Edgenta, safety and preparedness are at the core of our operations, driving us to continuously innovate and collaborate for the greater good. This partnership with JBPM exemplifies our commitment to enhancing disaster management capabilities in Malaysia. By leveraging shared expertise and facilities, such as our training centers in Petaling Jaya and Bukit Beruntung, Selangor, we aim to optimize resources and improve operational efficiency. Together, we strive not only to protect vital infrastructure but also to build a safer, more resilient Malaysia for future generations."

"This MoU marks a significant milestone in our collective mission to strengthen disaster preparedness on a national scale. Effective disaster management relies on the seamless collaboration between public and private sectors, and our partnership with JBPM embodies the transformative potential of

such synergy. By combining JBPM's unparalleled expertise in emergency response with UEM Edgenta's capabilities in critical infrastructure management and operational excellence, we are confident in our ability to create a tangible impact. Together, we aim to enhance response times, optimize resource coordination, and, most importantly, protect lives, properties, and communities across Malaysia in times of crisis," he added.

Also sharing his thoughts on the private sector's role in supporting national initiatives, YAS Dato' Ts. Nor Hisham shared, "JBPM plays a very important role in maintaining public safety and reducing disaster risks. In this era of increasingly advanced technology, the challenges faced by the fire department are also increasingly complex. Therefore, support and cooperation from all parties, including the private sector, are needed to ensure that we are always prepared to face any emergency situation more efficiently and effectively."

"JBPM sees opportunities through this MOU, where the cooperation between JBPM and UEM Edgenta can provide great benefits and positive impacts in many aspects, especially the improvement of firefighting operational capabilities through the sharing of expertise, innovation and implementation of new technologies and joint training programs," he added.

The partnership will involve volunteers from Edgenta Infrastructure Services (EIS) working closely with JBPM to enhance disaster response capabilities. Under this initiative, EIS volunteers will undergo rigorous training provided by JBPM, equipping them to support disaster relief efforts. The programme will focus exclusively on West Malaysia, with volunteers prepared to assist in managing natural disasters in areas where UEM Edgenta operates.

The MOU highlights several critical areas, including joint training programmes, workshops, and simulations designed to strengthen technical expertise for disaster response. Both organisations will also collaborate on community engagement initiatives, such as awareness campaigns aimed at educating the public on disaster preparedness and emergency protocols. Additionally, the partnership will include the organisation and participation in emergency drills, fire simulations, and technical courses related to UEM Edgenta's operations, with a particular focus on rescue efforts during natural disasters and emergencies.

UEM Edgenta Berhad is committed to enhancing disaster preparedness through its expertise in asset management, risk assessment, and crisis response. The Mutual Disaster Relief Team unites private sector innovation with public sector emergency response, strengthening Malaysia's disaster resilience. This collaboration reflects UEM Edgenta's dedication to safeguarding communities and building a stronger, more prepared nation.

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