



# ACTIVITY REPORT

Regional Development Community Berhad

# 2023



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# About Us

**Regional Development Community Berhad** (RDC) is a company limited by guarantee, registered on 11 November 2016 (Reg No. 1208691-V).

RDC is a Muslim based philanthropic organisation established with the aim of creating sustainable communities across the Asia Pacific region in a holistic approach grounded in principles of empowerment, inclusion, social justice and collective actions.

We work together with identified collaborators from communities in these countries via community engagements, business ventures and development projects that are in line with some of the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's).

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# Vision

**Leading** organisation for sustainable community development in the Asia Pacific region.



# Mission

- Develop communities through collaborations.
- Adopt Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to enrich life.
- Provide solutions that support communities.
- Empower women and youth in our activities.

# Directors & Senior Management

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Special Projects



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## Trivia:

APCC is our liaison person who coordinates community projects in the identified countries.

# Seven Focus Areas



## ECONOMIC BASED INITIATIVES

We provide funds for projects that promote inclusive and sustainable economic growths, employments and decent work for all.



## COMMUNITY BASED PROJECTS

We support projects that upgrade the communities and promote 'home-grown' community products. These projects include building of community and social enterprise centres and small enterprises - food and craft etc.



## WOMEN EMPOWERMENT INITIATIVES

We invest in projects designed to help provide disadvantaged women with education and skills, awareness about their rights and much more. Our initiatives include establishing women centres to provide training and upgrading their skills, conferences/seminar and providing business opportunities for small scale women entrepreneurs.



## EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROJECTS

We aim to provide quality education and promote life long learning opportunities for all. Projects include building of schools or upgrading of existing school facilities, and leadership and skill trainings.



## INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

We help secure funding for projects to upgrade infrastructure such as clean water system, sanitation and electricity supply.



## HEALTH AND WELL BEING INITIATIVES

We are committed to create healthy communities by promoting health awareness through education, health screenings and primary medical management to urban and rural communities.



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND HARMONY INITIATIVES

We also promote initiatives to support better community engagements towards a harmonious society such as cultural programmes and celebrations, media and broadcasting of cross-cultural talks, and sports events.



**Our** organisation is committed to pursuing the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We focus on seven main areas, adapted from the 17 SDGs set by the United Nations. These focus areas guide and shape our community projects, ensuring that they align with the global agenda for sustainable development.



THE GLOBAL GOALS

**SDG Projects  
2023**





# Oasis Sari-Sari Stores



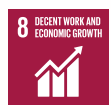
One of our focus areas involves projects that promote inclusive and sustainable economic growth, employments and decent work for all. Oasis Sari-sari store is a business models that is key to the sustenance of the community. This store is a small setup retail outlet attached to the house mostly found in rural areas in the Philippines. Operating on a social enterprise concept, a portion of profits from the stores are set aside in a special fund to finance future Sari-sari projects and provide emergency aid to the beneficiaries if needed. Four out of ten stores have been set up and are currently being operated by the identified beneficiaries.



Davao, Mindanao,  
Philippines



Beneficiaries  
**4 Families**





# Micro Financing



This is another project by RDC based on focus area 1; Economic Based Initiatives and focus area 5; Women Empowerment Initiatives. In the wet market of Pasig City, a large number of Muslim women work hard as street vendors to support their families but often do not earn enough for their everyday needs. RDC has taken the initiative to provide sufficient capital through micro-financing for these women to expand and grow their businesses, thus improving their economic status.



**Pasig City, Manila,  
Philippines**



**Beneficiaries  
10 Families**





# Home for The Poor



In the state of Sabah, there are many underprivileged families that live in houses which are in very poor and unsafe conditions. RDC has identified a few of the said families and initiated to collect funds from the public and philanthropists. Through this initiative, RDC managed to secure a fund of RM100,000.00, and proceeded for the construction of the two houses. The two houses were completed and handed over to the beneficiaries in March 2023.



**Kg. Kayau & Kg. Belatik**  
Papar, Sabah.



Beneficiaries  
**2 Families**





**Special Projects  
2023**



Energy  
Monitoring



RDC Summit 2023 is part of our effort to network relevant stakeholders in various fields from the Asia Pacific Region who are instrumental in achieving our mission in developing and improving living standards of communities through the Sustainable Development Goals initiative. RDC Summit featured four concurrent conferences namely The Asia Pacific Regional Development Community Business Convention (RDCBiZ), RDC Youth Conference, RDC Women Empowerment Conference and RDC Humanitarian Conference.



Malaysia



Participants from  
**10+ Countries**





# Earthquake Relief: House Reconstruction



Indonesia was struck by an earthquake on November 21, 2022, measuring 5.6 on the Richter scale, followed by several more earthquakes ranging from 2.2 to 4.6 on the Richter scale. The recorded death toll stood at 635 people, with 7,800 injuries and an estimated 62,800 homes damaged or destroyed. RDC in collaboration with Hidayah Centre Foundation conducted a fundraising effort to assist the earthquake victims i.e. reconstruction of the identified damaged house.



Cianjur, Indonesia



Beneficiaries  
**2 Families**



7 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT  
AND HARMONY INITIATIVES

# Qurban for Community



The 2023 Qurban Project was jointly organised by RDC and MyGuide Malaysia. This marks the third year of the programme's implementation. This year, the Qurban was carried out in several countries, with a total of 22 goats and 23 cows slaughtered. Overall, approximately 576 families or 2,700 individuals have benefitted from this programme. The majority of beneficiaries were impoverished Muslims or converts.



Mongolia, Laos, Sri Lanka,  
Vietnam & Philippines



Beneficiaries  
**576 Families**



3 EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROJECTS



# Education Projects



RDC aims to provide quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all. In collaboration with other organisations, RDC provided assistance to a number of education institutions in the form of “Back to School” kits, scientific calculators, science experiment materials, hydroponic kits etc.



SMK Bum Bum, Sabah, Malaysia  
iSmart Tahfiz, Phnom Penh, Cambodia  
Maahad Darussalam, Tay Ninh, Vietnam  
Trapeang Crap Kindergarten, Kampot, Cambodia



Beneficiaries  
**4 Institutions**



# Partners & Collaborators



## Trivia:

On 4th May 2021, RDC became the partner of the Regional Centre of Expertise Greater Gombak (RCE G2) on Education for Sustainable Development.

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