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TENAGA Nasional Bhd (TNB) has distributed RM33 million in zakat for 2024 through business zakat and "wakalah" zakat, providing direct assistance to "asnaf" groups.

Business zakat is contributed to State Islamic Religious Councils, with 70% allocated to the poor and needy and 30% to "fisabilillah" beneficiaries.

"Wakalah" zakat is returned to TNB for direct distribution through initiatives such as Baiti Jannati, which provides safer and more comfortable housing for underprivileged families, and Ceria ke Sekolah, which supplies school essentials for "asnaf" students.

Other community development programmes provide aid to the less fortunate nationwide, in collaboration with state governments.

TNB chairman Tan Sri Abdul Razak Abdul Majid said the company remains committed to fulfilling its Shariah obligations and supporting social wellbeing.

"Zakat contributions are a Shariah obligation and a responsibility we uphold with great care," he said in a statement.

He emphasised that zakat is a duty the company takes seriously, ensuring that contributions benefit "asnaf" groups and uplift communities.

Beyond zakat, TNB allocated RM140.9 million in 2024 for corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives in education, sports, community wellbeing

and sustainability.

Yayasan Tenaga Nasional sponsored 1,582 students with an investment of RM42.6 million, while the Baiti Jannati programme has built and renovated 817 homes since 2018, benefitting over 4,000 individuals.

The company also contributed to community initiatives such as Projek Mesra Rakyat and Better Brighter Shelter to support socio-economic development.

In sports, nearly RM6 million was allocated for the Malaysian Hockey Confederation, TNB Thunderbolts and hockey clinics to nurture young talent.

TNB's sustainability efforts include installing a 25-kilowatt-peak solar panel system at a state religious school in February, aimed at reducing energy costs and promoting cleaner energy.

TNB president and CEO Datuk Megat Jalaluddin Megat Hassan said the company remains focused on delivering meaningful impact beyond electricity supply.

"At TNB, we believe our role goes beyond providing electricity," he said.

He added that TNB is committed to supporting communities through zakat and CSR initiatives that empower people and drive sustainable growth.

"This is part of our commitment to building a brighter future for all," he said.

The company's efforts align with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, reinforcing its commitment to inclusive and sustainable progress.



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