



MEDIA STATEMENT

ROAD TRANSPORT DEPARTMENT

Launching of RTD Cadet Corps in 221 secondary schools throughout Malaysia.

Ministry of Transportation through the Road Transport Department (RTD) together with the Ministry of Education today launched the establishment of the RTD Cadet Corps.

The launching today was made simultaneously in 221 secondary schools across the country with the full support and cooperation of the Ministry of Education and the State Education Department. Consequently, the RTD would like to express appreciation to the Ministry of Education in the forming of this joint venture partnership.

For a start, the RTD Cadet team was established on a pilot basis in 17 schools beginning in January 2015 involving a school in every state and federal territory except in the state of Pahang involving two schools.

Next, in 2016, the Ministry of Education approved the establishment of RTD Cadet Corps in 204 secondary schools under the Ministry of Education in the country and makes RTD Cadet Corps as one of the co-curricular programs in schools.

To implement this program, RTD and the Ministry of Education have collaborated in developing an RTD Cadet training curriculum for students who participate in the cadet corps. The training curriculum that is being developed focuses on four main principles, namely in relation to road safety, volunteerism, unity and patriotism.

Content implemented in each of the activities are connected with the importance of road safety as well as exposure to the laws and rules of the road. Exposure is expected to help students become more disciplined road users and considerate plus able to be a role model for society as a whole.

Among the activities carried out by RTD Cadet pilot team was during the road safety campaign during the festive season. Cadet team members served as RTD role models in delivering road safety education to other students at the school. In addition, in forming the personality and identity of students, cadet members were also given marching training during extra-curricular activities carried out in schools.

The establishment of RTD Cadet Corps that is being launched is expected to produce 'self-regulatory' to students about the laws and road safety. In addition, they are also expected to have a sense of pride and sense of belonging as citizens of Malaysia who are proud and caring for the community and the environment.

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