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Hitachi eBworx Raises RM100,000 for Employee Diagnosed with ALS



Mr Yagi presented the sleep diagnostic and therapy homecare ventilation unit to MND Malaysia.

From left: Dr Loh Ee Chin; Mr Yagi; Mr Benny Ng, Chairman of MND Malaysia; Mr Soo and Mr Ong, officers from MND Malaysia.

Malaysia, April 22, 2015 --- When Hitachi eBworx Sdn Bhd first received news from the University Malaya Medical Centre (UMMC) stating that Project Director, Mr Song was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease (MND) or Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)¹. Many fellow colleagues were shocked and saddened. Nevertheless, Hitachi eBworx's management office initiated a donation drive almost immediately. Colleagues, ex-colleagues and even clients of Hitachi eBworx Malaysia, Singapore, China, Indonesia and Thailand donated generously.

A total of RM101,438 was raised within three and a half days.

The fervent response from employees and clients alike saw a thankful Mr Hiroyuki Yagi, Managing Director/Deputy CEO of Hitachi eBworx respond with "Thank you, I am touched to see the great team spirit demonstrated in Hitachi eBworx".

The funds were used to purchase a sleep diagnostic and therapy homecare ventilation unit to aid in

Mr Song's breathing, as his muscles weaken. One such unit costs RM69,900 and would eventually be donated to a non-profit organisation called the Motor Neuron Malaysia Society (MND Malaysia) when Mr Song no longer has a use for it. MND Malaysia would then assign the unit to other patients.

Mr Yagi beseeched Dr Loh Ee Chin from UMMC to "Please take good care of Mr Song!"

"What Hitachi eBworx did was fantastic! Many companies do not understand or empathise when their employees have conditions similar to Mr Song's. The support extended by Hitachi eBworx is beyond words", said Dr Loh, who is Mr Song's attending doctor.

Mr Song expressed his gratitude for all the contribution and support from Hitachi eBworx via email. He plans to purchase an electric wheelchair with the additional cash received.

"Motor Neurone Disease (MND) is not widely known in Malaysia. But all thanks to the ALS Ice Bucket Challenge campaign on social media, more people are aware of this disease now. We hope to raise more funds to purchase more ventilation units so that more patients will benefit from this service in the future", shared Mr Benny Ng, Chairman of MND Malaysia.

If you would like to help or find out more about the work that MND Malaysia does, their contact details are below:

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