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From Borders to Bases: LTAT Honours Armed Forces Through Mahabbah Wira Ramadan

Key Highlights:

- i. LTAT's volunteer team, *Jalinan Wira*, reached over 1,350 MAF personnel and families through iftar and bubur lambuk distribution in the East Coast region: Tanah Merah, Gong Kedak, and Tanjung Gelang;
- ii. LTAT's Financial Literacy and Contributors Benefit Briefing programme has reached over 55,000 MAF personnel since December 2023, supporting the Ekonomi MADANI agenda and GEAR-uP initiative;
- iii. LTAT and its Group of Companies collectively contributed RM420,000 to the Malaysian Armed Forces ("MAF") as part of its annual Aidilfitri contribution; and
- iv. Yayasan LTAT contributed RM20,400 to 68 asnaf MAF families, chronically ill, and OKU categories to ease their Ramadan burdens.

KUALA LUMPUR, 6 MARCH 2026 – Ramadan is a month of reflection, gratitude, and sharing. It is also a time to honour those who dedicate their lives to safeguarding the nation. Now for its third instalment, the Armed Forces Fund Board ("LTAT") brought its Mahabbah Wira Ramadan initiative to three East Coast locations, celebrating over 1,350 personnel and families of the Malaysian Armed Forces ("MAF") across the Army, Air Force, and Navy through iftar, bubur lambuk distribution, and meaningful welfare support.

The three-day programme, led by LTAT's *Jalinan Wira* volunteer team, began on 2 March at 1st Border Regiment, Kem Batu 11, Tanah Merah, Kelantan; continued on 3 March at Gong Kedak Air Base, Jerteh, Terengganu; and concluded on 4 March at TLDM Tanjung Gelang Naval Base, Kuantan, Pahang. Beyond festive celebrations, the initiative enabled LTAT to engage directly with Malaysia's heroes and witness firsthand their daily sacrifices.

The Chief Executive of LTAT, En. Mohammad Ashraf Md. Radzi emphasised the programme's significance, saying, *"Mahabbah Wira Ramadan is not just an annual event. In the line of duty, many of our soldiers, sailors and airmen are unable to observe Ramadan or celebrate Syawal in the way most Malaysians do. While the nation celebrates, they remain at their posts. That is why LTAT goes to them, no matter the distance or terrain. Their dedication knows no limits, and their sacrifices form the backbone of our nation's peace and sovereignty.*

"LTAT stands shoulder to shoulder with these heroes, ensuring they know their service is valued, remembered and honoured. Our presence is a small gesture compared to the immense sacrifices they make for the country." He added.

In Tanah Merah, LTAT leadership visited the Renap Border Operations Post alongside Commander of the 8th Brigade, Brigadier General Hj. Mohamad Nizam Hj. Abdul Manap, to observe personnel safeguarding the northern borders from threats and illegal activities. Over 400 personnel and their families enjoyed iftar and bubur lambuk prepared by LTAT *Jalinan Wira* volunteers and camp staff.

The programme then moved to Gong Kedak Air Base, home of the Su-30MKM “Toruk Makto” fighter jets. At Squadron 12 Hangar, LTAT volunteers, alongside the Commander of Gong Kedak Air Base, Colonel Hasfa Nyzam Abdul Hamid, engaged with over 400 personnel and technical crew responsible for maintaining the nation’s air defence readiness.

The journey culminated at TLDM Tanjung Gelang Naval Base, Kuantan, bringing together approximately 550 naval personnel at Dewan Al-Haimi. Welcomed by the Commander of the Naval Region, Rear Admiral Azman Rabani, LTAT’s leadership team symbolically handed over bubur lambuk to KD Perkasa’s commanding officer, as a token of appreciation for the personnel safeguarding Malaysia’s waters.

As part of its holistic welfare commitment, Yayasan LTAT contributed RM20,400 to 68 families across all three locations, supporting asnaf families, the chronically ill, and OKU personnel during Ramadan and ahead of Syawal.

In addition, LTAT conducted its Financial Literacy and Contributors Benefit Briefing at all three locations, guiding prudent financial management, social protection, and retirement planning. Since its introduction in December 2023, the programme has reached over 55,000 MAF personnel, in line with LTAT’s Strategic Roadmap 2026–2030 (“GEMPUR30”) and the Ekonomi MADANI agenda, equipping contributors with knowledge to ensure long-term financial well-being.

Complementing these efforts, LTAT and its Group of Companies collectively contributed RM420,000 to the Malaysian Armed Forces as part of its annual Aidilfitri contribution. The contribution will be formally handed over at a separate event, witnessed by the Minister of Defence, YB Dato' Seri Mohamed Khaled Nordin, underscoring LTAT’s ongoing support for the nation’s defenders.

Through Mahabbah Wira Ramadan 2026, LTAT reaffirms its role as a strategic partner to MAF personnel, not only as a retirement fund manager but as an institution that understands, values, and supports the sacrifices of the nation’s heroes across all three services.

To date, LTAT’s Jalinan Wira volunteering team has clocked in more than 2,300 volunteer hours, contributed by more than 200 volunteers among the LTAT workforce

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About the Armed Forces Fund Board (“LTAT”)

Established in August 1972 under the Armed Forces Fund Act (also known as Act 101), the Lembaga Tabung Angkatan Tentera (“LTAT”) is a statutory body which manages the retirement fund for officers and members of other ranks of the Malaysian Armed Forces (“MAF”) and the veterans. For more information on LTAT, visit www.ltat.gov.my.

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