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'Generous' friends to help raise funds for Japan

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KUALA LUMPUR: On Sunday, a group of five friends will organise a mini carnival in Petaling Jaya aimed at raising funds for the Tabung Bencana NSTP-Media Prima in aid of the earthquake and tsunami victims in Japan.

The carnival will be held at No.22, Jalan 16/6, 46350 Petaling Jaya from 2-7pm.

Calling themselves "Y U So Generous", the group hope to raise RM10,000 through sales of food, clothes and handbags.

There are also games, lucky draws, a performance by a young local artist, and even an airbrush tattoo booth for the more adventurous customers.

"We also welcome anyone who

wants to join in and help with the fundraising effort. They can become volunteers or donate items for the sale," said Yasmin Jasmay, 20, during an interview at Balai Berita, here, yesterday.

Those interested can contact Puteri Afzan Muhamed Johan at 012-3930000.

Meanwhile, the Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM) donated RM5,000 to the fund yesterday.

It's human resource director, Wan Rahmah Wan Abdul Raof, said it was time to help the nation which had been a good friend to FRIM.

"The Japanese are very concerned for the environment and have organised numerous collaborations with us

in the past."

NSTP Corporate Communications and Event Management head Wan Abdillah Wan Nawvi said they were waiting for instruction from Wisma Putra to disburse the fund.

He said NSTP is working closely with the Malaysian Red Crescent Society to collect and manage supplies such as mineral water, instant noodles and clothes to be sent when needed.

Donors can bank in their donations via Maybank account number 514105-320757, or send cheque made payable to "Tabung Bencana NSTP-Media Prima" to the Finance Department, New Straits Times Press, 31, Jalan Riong, 59100 Kuala Lumpur.



(From left) Puteri Afzan Muhamed Johan, Yasmin Jasmay and Rashiqa Qahirah will be organising a mini carnival in Petaling Jaya on Sunday. — NST picture by Nik Rosli Ishak