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# 680 underprivileged children in Malaysia to benefit from CapitaLand's My Schoolbag programme Signature annual CSR programme donates about RM170,000 in 2016, with

funding from CapitaLand Hope Foundation

*Kuala Lumpur, 9 December 2016* – CapitaLand Mall Asia, the region's leading shopping mall developer, owner and manager, and CapitaLand Malaysia Mall REIT Management Sdn. Bhd. (CMRM), the manager of CapitaLand Malaysia Mall Trust (CMMT), are pleased to announce that they are donating about RM170,000 to 680 underprivileged children in Malaysia under the sixth run of the "My Schoolbag" programme in the country this year. The donation is made possible with funding from CapitaLand Hope Foundation, the philanthropic arm of CapitaLand.

My Schoolbag is CapitaLand's key annual corporate social responsibility (CSR) programme, in which underprivileged children in the six countries where CapitaLand operates – Singapore, China, Malaysia, Japan, India and Vietnam – receive schoolbags containing school and daily necessities.

Under this year's My Schoolbag programme in Malaysia, 680 children from 21 charity homes and primary schools – six in Kuala Lumpur, eight in Selangor, one in Kuantan, five in Penang and one in Kedah – are visiting Sungei Wang Plaza in Kuala Lumpur; Tropicana City Mall in Petaling Jaya; The Mines in Seri Kembangan; Gurney Plaza and Queensbay Mall in Penang; and East Coast Mall in Kuantan, for a fun-filled half-day programme.

Over 170 staff volunteers will be accompanying the children as they take part in the activities arranged for them at the CapitaLand malls, such as Zumba workouts, exercise sessions, Lego and craft workshops. The children are also treated to lunch and each will be receiving school necessities including a new schoolbag, stationery, socks and shoes.

At the My Schoolbag programme at Sungei Wang Plaza today, 80 children from three charity homes in Kuala Lumpur were treated to a 20-minute martial arts self-defence dance performance at the centre court. The children also joined in the dance after picking up some moves from the instructors. After the energetic dance performance, the children took part in Lego workshops, followed by a delicious lunch treat. After spending an enjoyable time at the shopping mall, the children went back home with their new schoolbags filled with school necessities, ready for the new school year.

Ms Low Peck Chen, Chief Executive Officer of CMRM, said: "For this year's My Schoolbag programme in Malaysia, we have specially designed activities that help the children to foster team

spirit, boost self-confidence and enhance social skills. As our malls are an integral part of the communities, we are glad to be able to do our part to reach out to the communities we serve."

"Since My Schoolbag was introduced in Malaysia in 2011, it has benefited about 3,800 underprivileged children with a total donation of more than RM900,000. We would like to thank our staff volunteers, partners and retailers for their support and commitment in working with us to bring My Schoolbag programme to the community."

CapitaLand mall	Event date & time	No. of children
East Coast Mall	24 November 2016 (Thursday), 10.00 am – 3.00 pm	120
Tropicana City Mall	28 November 2016 (Monday), 10.00 am – 3.30 pm	120
The Mines	5 December 2016 (Monday), 9.00 am – 3.00 pm	120
Queensbay Mall	6 December 2016 (Tuesday),10.45 am – 2.00 pm	120
Sungei Wang Plaza	9 December 2016 (Friday), 10.00 am – 1.10 pm	80
Gurney Plaza	13 December 2016 (Tuesday), 11.00 pm – 3.00 pm	120

## My Schoolbag 2016 in Malaysia:

Please refer to the Annex for the list of charities in Malaysia that My Schoolbag is benefitting this year.

#### About CapitaLand Limited (www.capitaland.com)

CapitaLand is one of Asia's largest real estate companies headquartered and listed in Singapore. The company leverages its significant asset base, design and development capabilities, active capital management strategies, extensive market network and operational capabilities to develop high-quality real estate products and services. Its diversified global real estate portfolio includes integrated developments, shopping malls, serviced residences, offices and homes. Its two core markets are Singapore and China, while Indonesia, Malaysia and Vietnam have been identified as new growth markets. The company also has one of the largest real estate fund management businesses with assets located in Asia.

CapitaLand's listed real estate investment trusts are CapitaLand Mall Trust, CapitaLand Commercial Trust, Ascott Residence Trust, CapitaLand Retail China Trust and CapitaLand Malaysia Mall Trust.

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#### About CapitaLand Mall Asia

CapitaLand Mall Asia, a wholly-owned subsidiary of CapitaLand Limited, is one of the largest shopping mall developers, owners and managers in Asia by total property value of assets and

geographic reach. CapitaLand Mall Asia has an integrated shopping mall business model encompassing retail real estate investment, development, mall operations, asset management and fund management capabilities. As at 30 September 2016, it manages a pan-Asian portfolio of 103 shopping malls across 52 cities in Singapore, China, Malaysia, Japan and India, with a gross floor area of approximately 99.0 million sq ft.

Shopping malls in the portfolio include ION Orchard and Plaza Singapura – which are located in one of the world's most famous shopping streets, Orchard Road – Raffles City Singapore and Clarke Quay in Singapore. Its landmark shopping malls in China are CapitaMall Crystal in Beijing; Hongkou Plaza in Shanghai and Raffles City Shanghai; CapitaMall SKY+ in Guangzhou; and CapitaMall Jinniu in Chengdu. The portfolio also includes Gurney Plaza in Penang, Malaysia; Olinas Mall in Tokyo, Japan; as well as The Forum Sujana Mall in Hyderabad, India.

CapitaLand Mall Asia's principal business strategy is to invest in, develop and manage a diversified portfolio of real estate used primarily for retail purposes in Asia, and to strengthen its market position as a leading developer, owner and manager of shopping malls in Asia.

#### About CapitaLand Malaysia Mall Trust (<u>www.cmmt.com.my</u>)

CapitaLand Malaysia Mall Trust (CMMT), listed on the Main Market of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad on 16 July 2010, is a shopping mall-focused real estate investment trust (REIT) in Malaysia with an income- and geographically-diversified portfolio of five shopping malls.

These quality assets are strategically located in key urban centres across Malaysia: Gurney Plaza in Penang; three in Klang Valley – a majority interest in Sungei Wang Plaza in Kuala Lumpur; Tropicana City Mall and Tropicana City Office Tower in Petaling Jaya; and The Mines in Seri Kembangan; and East Coast Mall in Kuantan, Pahang. The portfolio has a total net lettable area of over 3.1 million square feet (sq ft). As at 30 September 2016, the total asset size of CMMT is about RM4.1 billion.

CMMT is managed by CapitaLand Malaysia Mall REIT Management Sdn. Bhd. – a joint venture between CapitaLand Limited, one of Asia's largest real estate companies headquartered and listed in Singapore, and Malaysian Industrial Development Finance Berhad (MIDF).

## About CapitaLand Hope Foundation (<u>www.capitalandhopefoundation.com</u>)

CapitaLand Hope Foundation, the philanthropic arm of CapitaLand, was established in 2005 to further CapitaLand's community development commitment to 'Building People. Building Communities', by recognising that the long-term success of the company's business is closely intertwined with the health and prosperity of the communities in which it operates. Every year, CapitaLand allocates up to 0.5% of its net profit to the Foundation to promote social growth and development of underprivileged children with respect to their education, healthcare and shelter needs. CapitaLand Hope Foundation is a registered charity in Singapore and strongly believes each child has within them the potential for greatness, which if nurtured and built upon, can bring significant value to future societies. Going beyond donations associated with charitable giving, the Foundation also focuses on giving time and attention to the children beneficiaries through advocating volunteerism. The strong commitment of volunteers embodies CapitaLand's mission to care for and contribute to the economic, environmental and social development of communities.

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# Annex

CapitaLand	ary nomes participating in My Schoolbag 2016 in Malaysia		
mall	Beneficiary	About the beneficiary	
East Coast Mall, Kuantan	Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan (Cina) Yoke Shian	The school is located at Kampung Jaya Gading, Kuantan and provides education and physical aid to students irrespective of race, gender, religion. The school arranges educational programmes for students from underprivileged families such as free tuition classes and computer and multimedia learning courses.	
Tropicana City Mall, Petaling Jaya	Yayasan Sunbeam Home	A non-governmental, self-supporting multi- racial foundation, Yayasan Sunbeam Home provides shelter to displaced, abused and neglected children of single-parents.	
	Persatuan Rumah Kanak Kanank Ini Disayangi (K.I.D.S.)	Persatuan Rumah K.I.D.S. is a registered, non-profit charitable home for orphans and abandoned children.	
	Shepherds Centre Foundation	Shepherd's Centre Foundation is a foster home for children who are orphaned, abandoned, abused and from broken families.	
	Desa Amal Jireh	Desa Amal Jireh is a registered home which caters to the needy children from Rumah Faith and destitute old folks from Faith Eagle's Nest.	
	Pertubuhan Kebajikan Yesuvin Mahligai (YM) Selangor	Pertubuhan Kebajikan Yesuvin Mahligai (YM) Selangor aims to provide the underprivileged with basic necessities, education, medical facilities and loving care.	
	Rumah Sayangan	Rumah Sayangan offers abused and less fortunate children a place where their various basic needs can be met.	
The Mines,	SK Bandar Tasik Selatan	The selected students from these schools	
Seri Kembangan	SK Desa Tasik SJK (C) Serdang Baru 1 SJK (C) Serdang Baru 2	are recipients of Bantuan Kumpulan Wang Amanah Pelajar Miskin (KWAPM), a fund set up by the Ministry of Education to	
		provide financial assistance to poor and needy students.	
Queensbay Mall, Penang	Ramakrishna Ashrama	The Ramakrishna Ashrama is a charitable organisation founded in 1938. The orphanage cares for children who are poor and needy, aged from six to 20 years old.	
	Sunshine Cottage	Sunshine Cottage was founded in 1993 with a vision to shape a happy and friendly environment that can facilitate the growth of the children to develop their full potential.	
	Pusat Jagaan Sinar Ceria	Set up in 1994, this home provides shelter, education and care to underprivileged children.	

List of beneficiary homes participating in My Schoolbag 2016 in Malaysia

	Pertubuhan Rumah Kebajikan Seri Cahaya House of Hope	Rumah Kebajikan Seri Cahaya was founded to serve the underprivileged or neglected children since 1999. House of Hope was founded in 2006 and is
		a non-profit company registered for the purpose of offering social aid.
Sungei Wang Plaza, Kuala Lumpur	Yayasan Sunbeam Home	This non-governmental, self-supporting foundation, is home to displaced, abused and neglected children of single-parents.
	Yayasan Chow Kit	Yayasan Chow Kit is a 24-hour crisis and drop-in centre providing meals, activities, therapy, case management and educational programmes for at-risk children of Chow Kit.
	Thangam ILLam Welfare Society	This home houses orphans and disabled children.
Gurney Plaza, Penang	Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Pulau Pinang	Jabatan Kebajikan Masyarakat Pulau Pinang focuses on prevention and rehabilitation of social issues and community development. It also aims to create a society with a caring culture and to improve public welfare through the development of social welfare services.
	House of Hope	House of Hope is a non-profit organisation that provides physical aid to underprivileged families living in the Rifle Range area in Ayer Itam, Penang.