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## More tithes collected in Pahang

Regent: RM142mil collected last year compared to RM131.5mil in 2018

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KUANTAN: Tithe collection in the state last year increased by about eight percent compared to 2018.

Pahang Regent Tengku Mahkota Tengku Hassanal Ibrahim Alam Shah ibni Al-Sultan Abdullah Ri'ayatuddin Al-Mustafa Billah Shah said RM142mil was collected last year while in 2018, it was RM131.5mil.

"Records show that those who paid tithes increased from 85,810 to 89,728 last year," Tengku Hassanal said in a statement after accepting business tithes from 10 corporate bodies amounting to RM9,45mil at a presentation ceremony.

However, he said the actual target was not achieved and the collection had to be increased for economic growth.

"The more tithes we receive, the more it will benefit eligible recipients. It will also help the economy to grow." he said.

Tengku Hassanal said this year, the Pahang Islamic Religious and Malay Customs Council, through the Tithe Collection Centre, aimed to collect RM145mil in property tithes from 98,000 payers.

He said the collection centre had come up with guidelines focusing on increasing tithes collection, including a compulsory payment amount

Apart from that, he said visiting villagers with related agencies should be held as a move to increase awareness among them on carrying out their responsibility



Tengku Hassanal (second from right) receiving tithes from FGV Holdings Berhad chief executive officer Abdul Malik Sekak in a ceremony at Istana Abdulaziz in Kuantan.

as Muslims and pay tithes.

"Multimedia and Internet technology will assist further in the efforts to increase tithes collection," he said.

At the presentation ceremony, FGV Holdings Berhad was the highest payer with RM2.12mil followed by Land Surveyors Board of Malaysia (RM2mil), Koperasi Serbausaha Makmur Berhad (RM1.32mil), Tenaga Nasional

Berhad (RM1.03mil) and Rubber Industry Smallholders Development Authority (RM876.303).

The other five bodies were Bank Pembangunan Malaysia Berhad (RM700,000), Far East Holdings Berhad (RM600,000), Felcra Berhad Wilayah Pahang (RM435,937), Telekom Malaysia Berhad (RM207,480) and Radicare Group of Companies (RM143,702). 46

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