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## IJN HELPS STUDENTS COPE WITH THE HAZE

KUALA LUMPUR, September 18, 2019: Institut Jantung Negara (IJN) today offered young students in Batu Muda and Cheras a breath of relief.

The heart centre distributed a total of 25,000 face masks to 15 schools in the two areas, which have seen particularly high Air Pollutant Index (API) readings of late.

These face masks are capable of effectively filtering polluted air, and act as a preventive measure against haze-related ailments such as respiratory illnesses.

IJN Chief Executive Officer Datuk Dr Aizai Azan Abdul Rahim explained that children are especially vulnerable to ill effects of the haze.

"With the poor air quality at the moment, we want to ensure that children are able to continue their education without worrying about their health.

"This initiative is part of our corporate social responsibility efforts, where our goal is to elevate the health of Malaysians especially the most vulnerable members of our community," he said, after distributing the masks to students in Batu Muda.

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