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Aid helps single mother pull through

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IPOH: Single mother R. Suganthi, who was forced to pluck edible leaves along the roadside to feed herself and her sick daughter because she had no money to buy essential items, is now feeling hopeful and optimistic after receiving aid from Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB).

"When the little money we had ran out and I had to sustain us with porridge and edible leaves, I felt very sad.

"Now that I am able to buy some of our necessities which I had not been able to do for such a long time, I feel so motivated and optimistic and I feel that I can do something to improve our situation. For this, I am thankful to TNB," said Suganthi.

She had been living with her friend's grandmother at the National Garden Apartment here, with daughter, S. Kyran, 33, since early this year.

Kyran was involved in an accident in 2011. She previously worked as a nurse but due to the accident, she could not work due to the injuries to her ribs and legs.

"I have been taking care of Kyran at home. When she became a little better, I started to work as a security guard at a college in Ulu Kinta. In 2018, my contract ended and I was let go.

"When the first Movement Control Order was implemented, I could not find any work and was forced to leave my rental house. I



Thanks to the assistance from TNB, R. Suganthi is able to buy necessities such as food and medicine for herself and her daughter.

found refuge at a friend's house. To support myself and my daughter, I had to pawn all my jewellery."

Suganthi said when the MCO was extended, she could not go out to find work. Since then, the aid has been a long-awaited help to relieve her hardship.

"This assistance from TNB is very meaningful to me. With this money, I have been able to buy medicines and other essentials such as milk for my daughter.

"When my daughter feels better, the both of us want to find jobs and work. We can't always wait for people to help us as there is always another person out there who needs help too," she said.

She expressed her gratitude to TNB for their contribution from Tabung Warga TNB Prihatin, which is being channelled to the B40 group impacted by Covid-19.

TNB staff helped raise over RM1.57 million for the fund, by making voluntary salary deductions in June and July. To date, more than RM1.13 million has been distributed to over 1,900 recipients from all over the nation.