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(From L to R) Property Development Division (Malaysia and Singapore) deputy managing director Tan Wee Bee, Sunway Group corporate advisor Tan Sri Dato' Dr. Ramon V. Navaratnam, US ambassador Joseph Y. Yun, Dr. Melanie Billings, EcoKnights president Yasmin Rasyid, Property Development Division (Malaysia and Singapore) managing director Sarena Cheah and other representatives.

JOHOR BAHRU: In conjunction with the World Environment Day (W.E.D), Sunway Property, the master community developer, in partnership with non-profit NGO, EcoKnights, welcomed the United States' ambassador Joseph Y. Yun to Sunway Iskandar.

As part of an international effort to create awareness in preserving the environment, Yun, his wife, Dr. Melanie Billings, and ten delegates participated in the #GoGreenLah! cycling expedition from Putrajaya to Singapore. The convoy made several pit stops along the journey which include a stopover in Sunway Iskandar.

Sunway Iskandar was visited due to its notable sustainable efforts across its developments, especially Sunway Resort City which is the first green township in Malaysia to be awarded the Green Building Index (GBI). Following this, Sunway Iskandar will also include sustainable and green elements into the masterplan of the Nature's Capital City.

"I compliment Sunway Property and EcoKnights for this joint effort in supporting sustainable development and promoting environmental awareness. This project portrays how responsible a developer can be in benefitting the community and the environment," said Yun.

"We are honoured to have ambassador Yun, Dr. Billings and the delegates at Sunway Iskandar. As a master community developer, we are committed to develop sustainable townships across the region, as demonstrated in Sunway Resort City, Iskandar and Sunway City, Ipoh. Nurturing the community to create environmental awareness is also one of our key drivers, as we want to ensure a truly liveable city for our residents and visitors," said Property Development Division (Malaysia and Singapore) managing director Sarena Cheah.

Collaborating with EcoKnights for the second time in Johor, the W.E.D celebration witnessed Sunway Iskandar's plans to adopt 75,000 trees across the 728 ha township as part of their community-driven efforts.



Attendees released more than 1,500 fishes into the Emerald Lake, led by the representatives of Sunway and the US Embassy.

Some of the other green initiatives include the planting of six different types of fruit trees around the Emerald Lake Garden, and more than 1,500 fishes were released into the tranquil Emerald Lake. An education corner was also established by EcoKnights.

EcoKnights president Yasmin Rasyid, applauded Sunway's enthusiasm to actively encourage and educate the communities around Malaysia to participate in acts of green.

"Sunway Iskandar is blessed with many beautiful natural elements and we are excited to be working with Sunway to preserve Mother Nature. We also thank the organisation for their generous contribution to enable us to fuel more green-the-earth EcoKnights activities," said Yasmin.

Set to be a world-class city balanced with the beauty of nature and the sophistication of a modern city reflected through its tagline, Nature's Capital City, Sunway Iskandar will be an integrated township with a total of 283 ha featuring lush mangrove and green forests, Sungai Pendas, and Straits of Johor. As the master community developer, Sunway ensures that the community is always connected to nature no matter where they are while still enjoying the luxury of a city.

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