

Partners with the Community

The Jardine Cycle & Carriage Group ("JC&C") believes in fulfilling its role as a corporate citizen and being socially responsible in the communities in which it operates. We are committed to making a difference and have over the years been involved in a diverse range of programmes. This year, our Group companies supported initiatives ranging from community and charity events, scholarships to the arts and mental health programmes.

Charity and Community

Since 2004, JC&C has been involved in raising the awareness of the work done by Singapore's national healthcare provider, the Institute of Mental Health, and assisting in the development of new programmes and facilities. During the year, we were a partner in the hospital's fundraising golf tournament which raised funds for its rehabilitation programmes such as Food Service Rehabilitation and Fund-2-Work Scheme, which prepare patients for future employment. The Company made a US\$30,000 donation to the fundraising effort.

Group companies made donations to various charitable activities, in particular, Singapore's epicurean event of the year, the World Gourmet Summit Charity Dinner, and the HIV/AIDS Red Ribbon Gala Dinner in Malaysia.

JC&C participated in the Singapore Turf Club's prestigious Queen Elizabeth II Cup annual race named in Her Majesty's honour on the occasion of her second visit to the state in March 2006, while Cycle & Carriage Bintang bought new horses for the Riding for the Disabled Association in Malaysia, enabling physically-challenged children to receive more effective therapy.

Cycle & Carriage's 10th successful Care for the Community Programme saw a donation of three vans to welfare organisations in Singapore, namely Catholic Welfare Services, Society of Moral Charities and Sunshine Welfare Action Mission, to ease their transportation burden. Cycle & Carriage Bintang donated educational items and clothing to a rural village in Malaysia and its employees helped spruce up the living conditions by repainting parts of the village.

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Astra continued to provide humanitarian assistance to victims of natural disasters that hit Indonesia, including the tsunamis in Aceh and Pangandaran, and the earthquake in Yogyakarta. It invested more than US\$2 million to build schools and medical facilities, and reconstruct religious sites and sanitary facilities.

In line with its Sunter Nusa Dua programme, Astra also contributed to the well-being of its head office's surrounding neighbourhood in Jakarta through various community development initiatives. These included improvements to living conditions, drainage systems, pavement and street lighting, tree planting, waste management, disaster evacuation plans, public and children health subsidies and scholarships.

Astra's various foundations ran religious and social programmes through its Astra Mosque, providing support to worshippers during festive periods, organising religious retreats and study tours for children and distributing food to the under-privileged.

To develop income-generating activities within the community, Astra introduced paper-recycling efforts and converted some 18 hectares of deserted land into vegetable plantations and fish farms.

Education and Training

The Group made its third instalment of a US\$630,000 contribution to Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy in support of its academic study and research of public policy and public management. At the Singapore Management University, three scholarships to outstanding Business Management undergraduates were awarded during the year. Under this scheme, which began in 2000, JC&C has granted scholarships to deserving students selected for their academic ability, community involvement, leadership and financial need.

Astra, through the Toyota and Astra Foundation, granted over 6,000 scholarships to students and funded undergraduate and post-graduate students' scientific research programmes and final year researches. Another education development group, the Astra Bina Ilmu Foundation, also supported education in the less-developed regions of Indonesia, providing education materials and teaching aids to schools in these regions.

Astra's foundations provided capital funding of about US\$5 million and financed some US\$2 million to small and medium enterprises ("SME"). It also helped build relationships between the SMEs in the Greater Jakarta area with various government institutions, state-owned enterprises and private companies.

The Arts

JC&C has retained the Arts Supporter Award presented by the Singapore National Arts Council in recognition of our support for the promotion of the arts in Singapore. Cycle & Carriage Bintang also contributed to the arts in Malaysia through its efforts to build a new arts centre, Sanctuary of Fine Arts, in Kuala Lumpur's Brickfield district. The centre will be Malaysia's main cultural hub once completed.

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