

# Company hosts tea for a good cause

Event modelled after Australian initiative to raise funds to fight cancer

**M**ORE than 60 employees attended the *Jamuan Teh Malaysia* (JAM) that Nestlé (Malaysia) Berhad (Nestlé) held for its staff recently.

Held at Nestlé House in Petaling Jaya, the inaugural charity event was modelled after Australia's *Biggest Morning Tea*, where individuals, organisations or community groups organise tea parties to raise funds to fight cancer.

The employees contributed RM1,320 to the cause, which Nestlé supported by matching the amount, to raise a total contribution of RM2,640 for the National Cancer Society Malaysia (NCSM) and the Breast Cancer Welfare Association (BCWA).

As part of the company's efforts to encourage wellness among its employees, Nestlé invited the society medical director, Dr Saun Somasuntaram, to present a talk on *General Cancer Awareness*. Saun stressed the significance of diet in preventing cancer: "What you consume and how you prepare your food is very important," she said.

»Obesity also contributes to a number of cancers, which is the second leading cause of death, after heart disease«

DR SAUN SOMASUNTARAM

"Obesity also contributes to a number of cancers, which is the second leading cause of death, after heart disease; and the opposite of obesity is exercise," she said.



**Specially commissioned memorabilia:** Nestlé employees and the volunteers at the sales booth during the *Jamuan Teh Malaysia*.

"We are happy to work with a partners like Nestlé, which has been a great supporter of NCSM and its initiatives.

"We would like to thank Nestlé for believing in us and for being a wonderful sponsor for so many years," she added.

Guests were also given the opportunity to help the organisations by buying memorabilia such as limited edition tea sets, teddy bears, aprons and identification tags commissioned for the event, as well as children's activity books.

"At Nestlé, we believe that making a long-term commitment to the health and well-being of Malaysians is fundamental to the development and success of the company,"

said Nestlé (Malaysia) Berhad group corporate affairs and wellness director Tengku Marina Tunku Annur Badlishah.

"We have been supporting the National Cancer Society for many years and we are honoured to once again be able to support them in their latest initiative," she added.

Nestlé currently supports the disabled, underprivileged, orphans, single mothers, youth and senior citizens with an extensive range of community development projects that encompasses areas such as education, youth programmes, healthy lifestyle activities, sports development, caring for the environment, rural development and poverty reduction efforts.