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### **PETRON MAKES ROADS SAFER FOR YOUNG MOTORISTS**

**KUALA LUMPUR** – As part of its continuing efforts to promote road safety, Petron Malaysia has launched an education campaign for university students. The program called “Safety Riding Course” supports government initiatives and aims to promote responsible road use, prevent accidents, and ultimately, save lives.

The program is under Petron’s leading and long-running and advocacy called the “Petron Road Safety Program.”

A joint collaboration with the Road Safety Department, the Malaysia Institute of Transport, and Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM), Safety Riding Course offers free practical lessons on basic driving, bike handling, and driving ethics.

The initiative will kick-off with students from Universiti Teknologi Mara (UiTM), staff of UiTM and customers of Petron stations. Participants will also have the chance to check their newly-acquired skills through an actual driving test. At the end of the training, participants will be given a motorcycle helmet and a Certificate of Completion.

As road safety is also about vehicle roadworthiness, students are likewise given a short course on lubricants and the importance of regular oil change. As an added bonus, students are given free Petron lubricants - Petron Rider 4T and 2T high-quality motorcycle engine oils.

“Targeted for university students but also open to the public, our young drivers will be trained by experienced instructors from the Royal Malaysia Police. To date, we have already generated the interest of around 100 students and we expect this number to grow even more as we tap other universities in the country,” En Lokman Hani, Head of Corporate Safety, Security, Health and Environment said.

Road safety is among Petron’s core advocacies. It has a Malaysia-wide road safety awareness campaign to motorists during holidays and festive seasons to promote safe driving and riding habits as well as various motoring tips for safer journeys.

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As part of its safety advocacy, Petron Malaysia became the first oil company to partner with the Royal Malaysian Police when it launched the “Go-To-Safety-Points (GTSP) at Petron service stations” program last September 2013. Supporting the country’s fight against crime while promoting safer communities, GTSP transforms Petron’s strategically-located service stations into temporary shelters for the public in case of emergencies that require police assistance.

“The Safety Riding Course is a natural complement to our existing programs that promote road safety and protects the welfare of motorists. This is our own modest way of contributing to making your journeys safer,” Lokman said.

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