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**KUCHING:** The Science, Technology and Innovation Ministry plans to introduce an ICT programme called 'K-Masjid' in the state as soon as possible.

The programme, which is already being implemented in Semenanjung Malaysia, is for managing mosques and suraus and makes the giving of religious talks easier.

"By using the software we can hold a religious talk in one mosque while other mosques and suraus can hear it live as well. It is done by networking," said its deputy minister Fadillah Yusuf.

He was met after a handover of education aid to pupils of SK Semerah Padi yesterday.

A total of 171 needy pupils received donated school uniforms, school bags and school shoes.

He pointed out that the software would save costs like seminar fees and travel expenses because the

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— Fadillah Yusuf, deputy minister for Science, Technology and Innovation

speaker need not travel from mosque to mosque, or surau to surau to give religious talks. The software content has been developed by Malaysian Institute of Microelectronic System (Mimos) but it needs to be tailored to suit the needs of the community.

Fadillah said that the K-Masjid has already been implemented as a pilot project in northern Semenanjung Malaysia and Sarawak is following suit:

"In the state, the programme has already been started as a pilot project at Kpg Segedup in Batu Kawa," he said when asked to comment on the

programme. When asked on the cost of the programme, he said that it depends on the materials used.

"We need at least one computer, a screen and

projector while the rest are managed by the people themselves," he explained.

Also present were school headmaster Fauzi Tamporong.

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**HELPING THE NEEDY:** Fadillah (second right) hands over a donation to a pupil while Fauzi (right) looks on.