

MEDIA RELEASE

GREAT EASTERN COMMUNITY SHIELD RAISES S\$83,788 FOR NEEDY SCHOOL CHILDREN

- *Funds raised for The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund by staff, distribution force and business partners*
- *Over 240 children participated in the inaugural Great Eastern Children's Football Tournament*

Singapore, 13 February 2016 – In conjunction with the Great Eastern Community Shield at Jalan Besar Stadium this evening, over S\$83,788 was raised for The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund (STSPMF) through the efforts of Great Eastern staff, distribution force and business partners.

Prior to the 2016 curtain-raiser between Albirex Nigarta and DPMM Brunei, an exciting children's tournament was held which pitched 240 children from 24 teams in friendly competition. Four of the teams comprised budding young footballers supported by STSPMF with the others from various S.League Clubs' children academies.

Great Eastern CEO (Singapore) Dr Khoo Kah Siang said, "As a LIFE company, we are passionate about promoting a healthy lifestyle through sports and there is no better time to start than with the young. Which is why this year, when the S.League mooted the idea of a children's tournament in conjunction with the Great Eastern Community Shield, we were more than happy to extend our fullest support. I am also happy that we were able to raise S\$83,788 for The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund through the efforts of our staff, distribution force and business partners as well as contributions from S.League clubs."

Dr Khoo presented the cheque for the amount raised to Mr Han Jok Kwang, Member, Board of Trustees, The Straits Times School Pocket Money Fund.

Commented Mr Han, "We are grateful to Great Eastern for their unwavering support all these years. They have also brought so much joy to the children who participated in the Junior soccer tournament. The generous donation of Great Eastern will go a long way in helping more than 11,000 needy students we support every year."

About Great Eastern

Great Eastern is the oldest and most established life insurance group in Singapore and Malaysia. With S\$63.2 billion in assets and around 4.7 million policyholders, it has three successful distribution channels - a tied agency force, bancassurance, and a financial advisory firm, Great Eastern Financial Advisers. The Group also operates in Indonesia, Vietnam and Brunei and has a joint venture in China as well as a representative office in Myanmar.

It was named Life Insurance Company of the Year at the Asia Insurance Industry Awards in 2011 and 2013 by Asia Insurance Review. The Great Eastern Life Assurance Company Limited has been assigned the financial strength and counterparty credit ratings of "AA-" by Standard and Poor's since 2010, one of the highest among Asian life insurance companies. Great Eastern's asset management subsidiary, Lion Global Investors Limited, is one of the largest private sector asset management companies in Southeast Asia.

Great Eastern is a subsidiary of OCBC Bank, the longest established Singapore bank, formed in 1932 from the merger of three local banks, the oldest of which was founded in 1912. It is now the second largest financial services group in Southeast Asia by assets and one of the world's most highly-rated banks, with an Aa1 rating from Moody's. Recognised for its financial strength and stability, OCBC Bank has been ranked Asean's strongest bank and among the world's five strongest banks by Bloomberg Markets for five consecutive years since the ranking's inception in 2011.

OCBC Bank's key markets are Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia and Greater China. It has over 630 branches and representative offices in 18 countries and regions. These include the more than 330 branches and offices in Indonesia under subsidiary Bank OCBC NISP, and more than 90 branches and offices in Hong Kong, China and Macau under OCBC Wing Hang.