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RHB-The Star Mighty Minds

13 February 2009: The 'RHB-The Star Mighty Minds' launches today and will take the nation by storm. This exciting challenge requires secondary students to compete using cold-hard facts, IQ and quick minds and creativity aplenty; which will put fun and excitement back into learning Science and Maths, apart from testing the students' general knowledge.

Organized by the RHB Banking Group and The Star, 'RHB-The Star Mighty Minds' is open to Malaysian secondary school students and will be held in all 14 states nationwide starting with the Preliminary Rounds (60 – 120 teams per venue) from March until July 2009 and culminating in the National Grand Final in August 2009.

"The RHB Banking Group is committed to bringing the future generation to the forefront of educational excellence. Our children will be the leaders of tomorrow and it is never too early to prepare them for the challenges that they will face in life. The 'RHB-The Star Mighty Minds' Challenge provides a holistic approach to embarking them on this journey of intellectual development. We are pleased to partner The Star in this initiative, which we hope will benefit secondary school students nationwide," said Puan Norazzah Sulaiman, Chief Operations Officer, RHB Capital Berhad.

"The Star's Science and Maths, F123 and F4F5 pullouts were created to support the Government's initiative in encouraging secondary students to learn Maths and Science in English. The Star together with RHB who share the same aim in promoting the importance of Education to young Malaysians has lead us to work closely together with RHB to embark on this exciting new competition." Said Datin Linda Ngiam, Group Managing Director/CEO, The Star.

Participating teams will be divided into two categories - Lower Secondary and Upper Secondary - with each team consisting of three (3) students and a supervising teacher. All participating teachers will receive a Certificate of Appreciation.

Schools can check out the F123 and F4F5 pullouts which are published every first and third Monday of the month (F123) and every second and fourth Monday (F4F5), to pick up tips to prepare for the challenge.

At the state level, the top three (3) winning teams will receive: -

1st Prize	RM3,000 cash and certificates of participation
2nd Prize	RM2,000 cash and certificates of participation cash per team
3rd Prize	RM1,000 cash and certificates of participation cash per team

and The top three (3) schools will also receive: -

1st Prize	A Desktop Computer
2nd Prize	A Digital Camera
3rd Prize	A Printer

Winning prizes for the National Grand Final are: -

1st Prize	RM6,000 cash
2nd Prize	RM4,000 cash
3rd Prize	RM2,000 cash
4th Prize	RM600 cash
5th Prize	RM450 cash
6th – 14th Prizes	RM100 book vouchers for each team member



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The top three (3) schools from each category will also receive:

1st Prize	A Desktop Computer & Printer
2nd Prize	A Desktop Computer
3rd Prize	A Desktop Computer

Stage 1 of the challenge will see teams answering 20 objective questions. The top 30 teams from each category will move on to Stage 2 of the challenge.

Stage 2 of the challenge will be a hands-on-challenge where teams will be given specific task which requires them to assemble one model from scratch within 90 minutes.

The best of the best ~ the top 14 teams from each category ~ will meet at the National Challenge in the Klang Valley in August 2009. This two-day event will culminate in the Grand Final where the top five teams will face-off in an exciting speed quiz and creative presentation.

Entry forms will be available in *The Star* and *F123* and *F4F5* from **15th February 2009 onwards**. *F123* and *F4F5*, as well as at RHB Bank branches, are distributed free through school subscriptions of *The Star*. For details/subscription, please call The Star's Customer Care Unit at 03 – 7967 1777 (direct line) or 03 – 7967 1388 ext 1152/1160 during office hours (Mon – Fri : 9.00am – 5.30pm)

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