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PUTRAJAYA: The Universiti Teknologi Mara Alumni Association (PAUiTM) is looking to raise RM1bil for its education fund by the end of the year.

The fund, which was launched mid-February, has collected more than RM150,000 so far.

Second Education Minister Datuk Seri Idris Jusoh said the target was achievable.

"UiTM has to date produced 530,000 graduates, and if each contributed RM2000, more than RM1 billion would be collected."

There is no minimum or maximum contribution amount, nor are donations required exclusively from UiTM alumni.

Of the RM150,000, RM50,000 has been donated by Cheras Education Foundation and RM5,000 by Swakaya Sdn Bhd.

"The fund will go towards scholarships, welfare aid and research and development programmes," said Idris.