



**Speech by Mr Goh Geok Khim, Chairman, Temasek Foundation at the launch of Phase 3 of the School Capacity Building & Academic Curriculum Development programme for the Islamic International School Pesantren Sabilil Muttaqin on 7 December 2015 in Kediri, Surabaya, INDONESIA**

Bapak Dahlan Iskan, Advisor, Pesantren Sabilil Muttaqin,

Mr Moiz Tyebally and Mr Muhammad Tarmizi Abdul Wahid,  
Board Members of Madrasah Al-Irsyad Singapore,

All guests who are present here today,

Good afternoon.

I am happy to be here in Kediri to witness the third phase of our capacity building programme in partnership with Pesantren Sabilil Muttaqin (PSM) and Al-Irsyad Singapore.

2 Since 2008 when we started the first programme, we have continued to partner with PSM to develop model schools, enhance academic curriculum, and put in place best practices in education in the PSM network of schools.

3 Temasek Foundation does not usually support a single programme with multiple phases over a long period of time. However, this programme is certainly very special and close to our hearts. For the past seven years, we have seen how much effort the principal and teachers have put in to transform and improve their schools. They have shared their knowledge with many other teachers from the neighbouring schools. The Al-Irsyad team has also put in great effort in guiding and mentoring the teachers.

4 Today, we are able to see many successes of your efforts. The PSM School in Magetan has good processes and frameworks in place for the running of the school. Student enrolment continues to rise due to the good reputation of the school in providing quality education.

5 The spirit of sharing is strong among the teachers from the earlier training programmes held in the PSM School in Magetan. They have now been able to apply the best practices, enhanced curriculum and standards to the PSM School in Kediri to serve even more children in the community. Temasek Foundation is pleased to provide a grant of about 3.6 billion Indonesian Rupiah to support the next phase to train even more school administrators and master trainers to develop more model schools throughout Java.

6 Thank you to all our guests and friends for honouring us with your presence here today. Your support means a lot to us. I wish the PSM every success in educating your students to be the leaders of tomorrow.

7 Thank you (*Terima Kasih*).