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## **Pharmaniaga Appoints Datuk Zulkarnain as its Managing Director**

**SHAH ALAM, 27 August 2020:** Pharmaniaga Berhad (Pharmaniaga) is pleased to announce the appointment of its new Managing Director, Datuk Zulkarnain Md Eusope while Encik Mohamed Iqbal Abdul Rahman has been promoted to Deputy Managing Director, **effective 1 September 2020.**

Datuk Zulkarnain brings over 27 years of experience in engineering, corporate planning, fund raising exercise, and mergers and acquisitions. He began his career in 1991 with Tenaga Nasional Berhad as an Electrical Engineer before he joined EPE Power Corporation Berhad as Project Manager.

In 2001, Malaysian Resources Corporation Berhad (MRCB) recruited him as Project Coordinator specializing in engineering related projects. His last assignment saw him leading the International Business Development Unit for the Middle East/South Africa (MESA) and South Asia regions. In 2006, he joined Empire Energy Corp, an international energy company and served as a Senior Vice President with a focus on restructuring distressed power plant projects in South East Asia. He was also tasked to develop coal-fired power plants in Indonesia and led the strategic efforts to acquire the Indonesian company.

In 2010, he expanded his horizon and became the Commercial and Corporate Advisor for various companies and provided strategic business development and advisory services. He has made a mark in the corporate industry with his vast experience in developing mega projects locally and internationally.

He joined FELCRA Berhad in 2014 as a Chief Investment Officer and was entrusted a bigger role to lead FELCRA Berhad as the Chief Executive Officer in 2016. He was the driving force that took the organization to venture into the property development. Datuk Zulkarnain left FELCRA in October 2018 and currently sits as Board Member at Daya Materials Berhad and Institute of Plantation Management.

Datuk Zulkarnain is a well-developed professional with good network with various government ministries in Malaysia. He is also an Adjunct Professor of Universiti Malaysia Kelantan.

Encik Mohamed Iqbal Abdul Rahman joined Pharmaniaga in 2011 as Director of Information Technology before he was promoted to Chief Operating Officer in 2012. As the Chief Operating Officer, he is responsible for the overall operations of the company.

With more than 32 years of experience, mainly in System Improvement & Operations Management, he successfully spearheaded the implementation of Business Intelligence System and Robotic Process Automation, which led to significant improvement to the company's logistics operations. He was also key in the successful implementation of Pharmacy Information System at over 1200 Ministry of Health Malaysia facilities throughout Malaysia. He was appointed as Acting Managing Director on 1 April 2020.

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Prior to joining Pharmaniaga, En Mohamed Iqbal was the General Manager - Head of Operations in Faber Medi-Serve Sdn Bhd (Faber), a provider of hospital support services, reporting directly to the Chief Executive Officer. He was responsible for the company's overall operations and performance, while overseeing all the regional offices, plants and hospitals within the Concession. He was also the key liaison person, leading all the stakeholder engagement activities with MOH.

Preceding to his General Manager role, he was the Head of Information and Communication Technology for Faber and Senior Information System Executive for Mayban Assurance Berhad.

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**ABOUT PHARMANIAGA BERHAD**

Pharmaniaga Berhad, a member of Boustead Group is an investment holding company listed on the Main Board of Bursa Malaysia. The Pharmaniaga Group's core businesses are generic pharmaceuticals manufacturing; research and development; marketing and sales; warehousing and distribution of pharmaceutical and medical products; supply, trading and installation of medical and hospital equipment as well as community pharmacy.

With a vision to be the premier Malaysian pharmaceuticals company, Pharmaniaga is guided by its philosophy of 'doing business with a conscience' and is empowered by its mission of Passion for Patients. Already operating in 38 sites across 3 countries (Malaysia, Indonesia & Vietnam) the Pharmaniaga Group is positioned to be a regional player in the international pharmaceuticals arena.

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