

Putrajaya Perdana Berhad executive chairman Datuk Rosman Abdullah (centre) with recipients of the company's scholarship programme in Putrajaya yesterday. Pic by Noor Atiqah Sulaiman

## 8 students awarded PPB scholarships

**PUTRAJAYA:** The sight of buildings and megastructures had fascinated her when she was a child and inspired her to be involved in the construction industry.

Sasithira Santhia Nanthan, 22, is now on track to achieving her dreams after becoming one of eight Putrajaya Perdana Berhad (PPB) Scholarship Awards recipients this year.

The bubbly lass from Johor, in her second year at Universiti Tenaga Nasional, is studying to be a civil en-

gineer. She told the *New Straits Times* that she was thrilled to be awarded the scholarship and said it would motivate her to work harder.

"I am happy. The scholarship will reduce the burden on my parents and I will make them proud.

"I am thankful for the opportunity given to me by Putrajaya Perdana."

The PPB Scholarship Awards is the company's annual programme and 80 scholars has benefited from it

since its introduction in 2006.

PPB executive chairman Datuk Rosman Abdullah said the scholarships provided opportunities for the less-fortunate students to further their studies.

He said the programme, which is part of PPB's corporate social responsibility, was started to support eligible and needy students to continue with their tertiary education. They will also be offered employment opportunities in the company upon graduating.

The seven other recipients of the scholarship are Vivien Necen Vinsan, Sim Siew Joo, Shanmugam Subramaniam, Nurshazira Abd Latif, Nurain Fakhira Mohd Nafi, Manmit Singh and Mohammad Dzulhaizat Mohamad Zawahir.

The students are pursuing courses, such as civil engineering, quantity surveying and mechanical engineering, in local universities.

This year's programme saw a total of 200 applications, 30 of which were shortlisted for interviews.