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## Lorry driver to give part of RM20,000 donation to charity

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**SEGAMAT:** Lorry driver Zaidi Ujang, who lost his two sons in the Buloh Kasap drowning last week, will donate part of the RM20,000 he received to charity homes.

He said the donation was to remember the death of his sons Mohd Zikri, 14, and Mohd Zaki, 16, who were among eight teenagers drowned along the stretch of Sungai Muar here on Friday.

Others who lost their lives in the incident were Mohd Izoan Hakimi Amin, 13, Mohd Noreen Zainal, 14, and Mohd Nazrul Aminuddin Zambri, Mohd Syafiq Md Syukur, Mohd Hafizul Danial Norhashim and Mohd Hafizuddin Kamal, all aged 16.

"I know somewhere out there that my sons (Zikri and Zaki) will agree with my decision to donate the money to charity," said Zaidi here on Wednesday.

He said the family would need time to grieve, but the saddest part was when his six-

year-old son kept asking why his brothers did not join them for dinner.

Zaidi said this after receiving the RM20,000, a personal donation from Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak, who gave RM10,000 each to families of the deceased.

The donation was presented, on behalf of Najib, by the Umno Malaysia welfare chairman Datuk Abdul Azeez Abdul Rahim at Balai Kebajikan Islam Taman Mewah, Buloh Kasap, here.

Apart from the RM10,000 donation, the prime minister would also finance the *haj-e-badal* ritual for the eight victims in cooperation with Tabung Haji for this year's haj season.

*Haj-e-badal* is performing the haj on behalf of others who were physically not fit enough to embark on the haj or those who have already passed away.

Separately, Azeez said he had also advised the families to discuss with lawyers from Umno if they planned to take legal action against those involved in illegal sand mining at the site of the tragedy.