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JAWATANKUASA PEGUAM PULAU PINANG PENANG BAR COMMITTEE

Social 6/26

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All Members of the Penang Bar,

Donation Drive: In Support for M. Kiru & Partners and Salvan Rajes & Associates

Dear Members,

It is with profound sadness that we inform you of a devastating fire that occurred today at M. Kiru & Partners, 1st Floor, 1C King Street, 10200 Penang and Salvan Rajes & Associates, No. 1C, Ground Floor, King Street, 10200, Penang. This tragic incident has resulted in significant damage to two law firms: M. Kiru & Partners and Salvan Rajes & Associates, and most heartbreakingly, claimed the lives of both Dato' San Markan s/o Ganapathi a respected consultant of the firm of M. Kiru & Partners and Chandra Binwani Jiwatram a valued member of the firm's staff.

Our deepest condolences go out to the families of the deceased, as well as to all members of the firm who are grappling with this unimaginable loss.

In the spirit of solidarity that defines our legal fraternity, the Penang Bar Committee is launching an immediate donation drive to support our colleagues Mr. Kirubanandan a/l P Murugaya and Tamilsalvan a/l Tenappan from both affected firms during this extraordinarily difficult time. The fire has not only taken precious lives but has also caused extensive damage to the firms' premises, equipment, case files and resources, leaving our colleagues facing both profound grief and overwhelming practical challenges.

We are calling upon all members to contribute whatever they can to help our colleagues rebuild. Donations can be made via:

Bank Transfer

Bank: Public Bank Berhad

Account Name: Penang Bar Committee

Account Number: 3060545211

Reference: Donation Drive for M. Kiru & Partners and Salvan Rajes & Associates

All contributions, regardless of amount, will make a meaningful difference. Contributions can be made until 20th April 2026.

Additional Support:

If any member is able to offer other forms of assistance such as temporary office space, equipment, furniture or professional support please contact the Penang Bar Secretariat.

In times of tragedy, the strength of the Penang Bar community shines through our collective compassion and support for one another. We urge all members to respond generously to this urgent call.

Further updates will be provided as arrangements are made to support our colleagues during this difficult period.

Thank you for your immediate attention and support.

In solidarity,

Jo-Anne Leslie de Vries
Chairman
Social & Members Welfare Subcommittee