



Underwater Gaya Clean-up



Divers from several organisations had cleaned up Padong Point littered with trash.

Kota Kinabalu: The Rotary Club of Kinabalu Sutera has initiated an underwater clean-up project at Padong Point in Gaya Island. President Roger Yapp said they collected 50kg of trash from beneath Padong Point.

The community project was co-organised with the Marine Research Foundation, Kota Kinabalu City Hall, Sabah Parks, **Tunku Abdul Rahman University of Management and Technology**, and Trash Hero.

Padong Point, originally a pristine underwater ecosystem, has unfortunately become a dumping ground for residents unaware of its environmental significance, he said. The collected trash, he said, comprising plastic waste, discarded fishing gear, and other debris, posed a threat to marine life and the fragile underwater ecosystem.

He said the club remains committed to community service, striving to keep the environment free from trash. Through collaboration with like-minded organisations and innovative approaches, they have not only tackled a critical issue but have also set an example for others to follow.

He said the project serves as a reminder that, with dedication and creative collaboration, we can protect and preserve our natural treasures for future generations to enjoy. The club expresses its commitment to continuing to lead the way in making a positive impact on the environment and the community.

