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THE best way to empower society is through education. By educating the younger generation, we are arming them with the skills and knowledge to help them grow.

The PINTAR-TNB Student Leadership Programme, an initiative under the GLC Transformation Programme to help average and less advantaged children, is an example of how education can open the minds of the young.

The camp, which has been running since 2007, has helped numerous students through its interesting programmes.

PINTAR, which stands for 'Promoting Intelligence, Nurturing Talent and Advocating Responsibility', is a collaboration between Tenaga Nasional Berhad (TNB) and the Pintar Foundation.

It supports students via an adopted school concept. From two adopted schools in 2007, the programme



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has grown, and TNB now has 18 adopted schools for the 2017-2019 period.

The programme is supported by the Finance and Education ministries. It targets average students with the intention to instil leadership potential in each student, so that after a three-year period the student will display excellent leadership skills as well as academic excellence.

This year, a visit was held for the students to the Sultan Azlan Shah Power Plant in Manjung, with the intention to expose the students to the principles of physics and chemistry in action, as well as to open their eyes to the engineering profes-

sion and teach them about environmental sustainability.

TNB Senior General Manager (Corporate Affairs) Datuk Ir Mohd Aminuddin Mohd Amin said the objective of this programme was to give leadership exposure to students and prepare them for their UPSR examinations.

"This is done in many ways, including by revising the techniques of learning skills, motivation workshops, extra classes and much more."

"This time, the students also got to visit the Sultan Azlan Shah Power Plant, giving them exposure to the operations of the station which uses the latest technology. At the same, time this is a

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new experience for them and we hope to open their eyes on a future career as an engineer," he said.

Mohd Aminuddin said he hoped the programme would continue to benefit the students and teachers.

Besides sponsoring academic and leadership programmes and activities, there is also a representative from the TNB state management office who acts

as a mentor for the schools.

TNB also monitors the programme via periodic visits. Among the programmes that have been held included camps for teachers and students, hockey camps, motivation workshops, extra classes during weekends and school holidays, UPSR Clinic, Yasin prayers, NIE workshops for teachers and many more.