



For the album: (from left) Phua, Nathan, Teow and MTBC secretary-general Sidney Tung posing with the mock cheque at Sunway Pyramid yesterday.

MTBC get RM300,000 boost

PETALING JAYA: The national bowling team received a timely boost ahead of the AMF World Cup in Malacca from Nov 14-21 with a RM300,000 sponsorship from Century Logistics Holding Bhd yesterday.

"The three-year sponsorship, worth RM100,000 a year beginning next year, is part of our support for the development of bowling in Malaysia," said Century Logistics Holding Bhd managing director Steven Teow.

"We have been lending a hand, particularly to the Malaysian Tenpin Bowling Congress (MTBC), previously, but on a much smaller scale.

"Bowling is among the few sports in Malaysia that has reached world class standard and this is a way for us to give something back to the sport."

The company's executive chairman, Richard

Phua, a national bowler from 1979 to 1995, said they would consider sponsoring a bigger amount next time now that they had forged close ties with MTBC.

Asked how the money would be used to help the national bowling team, MTBC president Datuk Dr. P.S. Nathan said it would be channelled to develop and promote the sport at all levels.

He also said that all national bowlers – from the youth development group to the elites – would benefit from the sponsorship.

"We have about 3,000 bowlers, including coaches, nationwide and the fund will help in the running of programmes involving these bowlers," he said.

"The sponsorship is vital for us and we hope that more corporate bodies will lend us their support for the benefit of the sport."