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HELP International Corp Bhd's net profit in the third quarter (3Q) ended July 31, 2009 grew 79.6% to RM2.91 million from RM1.62 million a year earlier due to higher student numbers and an increase in programmes offered. In a filing to Bursa Malaysia yesterday, the company said revenue was up 18.17% to RM21.59 million from RM18.27 million in the previous year. Earnings per share was at 3.3 sen from 1.8 sen a year earlier. On a nine-month cumulative basis, Help said its net profit was higher by 39% to RM9.47 million from RM6.81 million in the previous year. Its revenue during the period was up 16.5% to RM70.37 million from RM60.38 million a year earlier. Earnings per share was at 10.7 sen from 7.7 sen in the previous year.