

Lebih 2 juta penduduk manfaat LRT3

➔ Projek tren pertama guna teknologi hijau dijangka siap menjelang 31 Ogos 2020

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Datuk Seri Najib Razak semalam melancarkan Projek Transit Aliran Ringan 3 (LRT3) yang akan menghubungkan Bandar Utama di Petaling Jaya dengan Johan Setia di Klang, sepanjang 37 kilometer.

Perdana Menteri berkata, LRT3 akan menjadi projek tren pertama di Malaysia menggunakan teknologi hijau yang dilengkapi teknologi pengumpulan air hujan, sistem pengurangan bunyi, sistem penguurusan tenaga yang lebih baik serta pengudaraan semula jadi dalam reka bentuknya.

Apabila siap menjelang 31 Ogos 2020, LRT3 akan memanfaatkan lebih 2 juta penduduk di kawasan Koridor Barat Greater Kuala Lumpur dan Lembah Klang. Pembinaannya dijadualkan bermula awal tahun depan.

Katanya, jajaran LRT3 akan mempunyai 26 stesen dengan 10

daripadanya dilengkapi kemudahan *park and ride*, selain kemudahan tambahan bas pengantara bagi menghubungkan penduduk ke stesen.

“Saya difahamkan LRT3 akan menggunakan teknologi baharu iaitu U-Trough. Ia satu penambahbaikan kepada sistem konvensional sedia ada. Pelaksanaannya akan mempercepatkan proses dan masa,” katanya berucap pada majlis pelancaran projek itu di Stadium Malawati di sini, semalam.

Yang turut hadir Menteri Besar, Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali; Menteri Pengangkutan, Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai; Menteri Kesejahteraan Bandar, Perumahan dan Kerajaan Tempatan, Tan Sri Noh Omar dan Pengerusi Prasarana Malaysia Berhad, Tan Sri Ismail Adam.

Capai piawai dunia

Perdana Menteri juga mahu projek LRT3 mencapai piawai pembinaan bertaraf dunia, tidak

berkompromi dari segi kualiti kerja dan keperluan keselamatan.

Najib turut mengucapkan terima kasih kepada kerajaan Selangor pimpinan Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali, yang bersedia bekerjasama dengan Kerajaan Persekutuan dalam menjayakan projek LRT3.

“Projek ini insya-Allah akan mengikut jadual dan saya berterima kasih kepada kerajaan Selangor yang memberi kerjasama untuk menjayakannya.

“Walaupun kita berbeza pandangan tetapi untuk kepentingan rakyat, perlu diingat rakyat mesti didahulukan,” katanya.

Pada majlis itu, Najib turut mengumumkan diskaun sebanyak 50 peratus kepada pengguna yang menggunakan perkhidmatan rangkaian tren Rapid KL LRT dan Monorel antara jam 6 hingga 7 pagi, bermula 16 September ini.

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Kunjungan Panglima Tentera Laut ASEAN kukuh kerjasama

➔ Sultan Sharafuddin kongsi sejarah Selangor, TLDM

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Sultan Selangor, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah berkenan menerima kunjungan hormat Panglima Tentera Laut ASEAN di Istana Alam Shah, di sini, semalam.

Panglima terbabit menghadap baginda selaku Yang Dipertua Tentera Laut Diraja Malaysia (TLDM) sempena Mesyuarat Panglima-panglima Tentera Laut Negara ASEAN (ANCM) membabitkan 10 negara, bermula pada 22 hingga 25 Ogos ini.

Panglima Tentera Laut, Tan Sri Ahmad Kamarul Zaman Ahmad Badaruddin, berkata pada pertem-

muan sejam itu, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah turut berkenan berkongsi mengenai sejarah Selangor dan TLDM kepada delegasi yang hadir.

Perkukuh hubungan

“Ia secara tidak langsung mampu ‘membuka mata’ Panglima Tentera Laut ASEAN untuk mengukuhkan lagi hubungan antara ne-

gara anggota, terutama dari segi budaya dan kepentingan hubungan serantau.

“Kerjasama yang lebih padu juga harus diberikan oleh negara anggota ASEAN untuk memastikan keamanan serantau terutamanya di

sempadan perairan sentiasa berada dalam keadaan aman,” katanya kepada pemberita selepas majlis mengadap Sultan Selangor, Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah di Istana Alam Shah, di sini.

ANCM adalah sebuah forum tahunan yang berkonsepkan mesyuarat yang dihadiri oleh Panglima Tentera Laut dari Brunei, Filipina, Kemboja, Indonesia, Myanmar, Malaysia, Laos, Singapura, Thailand dan Vietnam.

Ia kali kedua TLDM menjadi tuan rumah mesyuarat berkenaan dengan tema ‘Meningkatkan Interoperabiliti Operasi’ selepas penganjuran kali pertama pada 2003.

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Sultan Selangor beramah mesra dengan Panglima Tentera Laut ASEAN sempena Mesyuarat Ke-10 Panglima Tentera Laut ASEAN di Istana Alam Shah, Klang, semalam.



SHAH ALAM 24 Ogos - Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak mahu projek pembinaan laluan ketiga sistem transit aliran ringan (LRT3) menjadi kemudahan pengangkutan awam bertaraf dunia selaras dengan status negara maju pada 2020.

Perdana Menteri berkata, teknologi terkini dinamakan U-Trough dalam projek berkenaan berbanding pembinaan konvensional yang digunakan di negara ini sekarang, merupakan yang terbaharu, paling berkesan dan menjimatkan.

Walau bagaimanapun, tegas beliau, dalam memenuhi jadual pembinaan yang ditetapkan, aspek kualiti dan keselamatan dijamin tidak akan diabaikan sama sekali.

“Apa yang saya nak tekankan bahawa LRT3 mesti mencecah standard pembinaan kelas dunia.

“Ia mesti juga mencapai kualiti dan bukan sahaja kualiti, tetapi standard keselamatan mesti tidak sesekali diambil mudah,” katanya ketika berucap melancarkan projek LRT3 di sini hari ini.

Yang turut hadir ialah Menteri Pengangkutan, Datuk Seri Liew Tiong Lai; Menteri Kesejahteraan Bandar, Perumahan dan Kerajaan Tempatan, Tan Sri Noh Omar; Menteri Besar, Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali serta Pengerusi Kumpulan Prasarana Malaysia Berhad, Tan Sri Ismail Adam.

Sehubungan itu, beliau berharap projek LRT3 dapat disiapkan

mengikut jadual iaitu pada 31 Ogos 2020.

Menurutnya, laluan LRT3 sepanjang 37 kilometer dengan 26 buah stesen antara Klang dan Bandar Utama bakal memberi manfaat kepada kira-kira dua juta penduduk di kawasan koridor barat Kuala Lumpur dan Lembah Klang.

Perdana Menteri menjelaskan, dengan adanya LRT3 di bawah Pelan Pembangunan Rel Bandar, beliau yakin sistem pengangkutan awam yang berdaya saing, efisien, bersepadu dan berkekalan dapat diwujudkan sekali gus mampu meningkatkan tahap sosioekonomi serta menyediakan kualiti kehidupan lebih baik kepada rakyat.

Diskaun 50 peratus tambang LRT, monorel

SHAH ALAM 24 Ogos -

Pengguna sistem transit aliran ringan (LRT) dan monorel akan diberikan diskaun tambang sebanyak 50 peratus dari pukul 6 hingga 7 pagi mulai 16 September ini, kata Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak.

Menurut Perdana Menteri, langkah tersebut diambil bagi menggalakkan lebih ramai orang menggunakan kemudahan awam sebagai mod pengangkutan utama.

“Saya yakin langkah ini dapat menyumbang kepada usaha untuk mengurangkan kesesakan lalu lintas ketika waktu puncak,” katanya ketika berucap melancarkan projek LRT3 di sini hari ini.

Yang turut hadir, Menteri Pengangkutan, Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai; Menteri Kesejahteraan Bandar, Perumahan dan Kerajaan Tempatan, Tan Sri Noh Omar; Menteri Besar, Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali serta Pengerusi Kumpulan Prasarana Malaysia Berhad, Tan Sri Ismail Adam.

Kes saman Khalid terhadap Dr Hassan 28 November

Mahkamah Tinggi di sini, semalam menetapkan lima hari bermula 28 November depan untuk perbicaraan kes saman fitnah oleh Ahli Parlimen Shah Alam Khalid Abdul Samad terhadap bekas pesuruhjaya Pas Selangor Datuk Dr Hassan Mohamed Ali berhubung isu penjualan minuman keras.

Hakim Datuk Hue Siew Kheng menetapkan tarikh itu selepas bertemu peguam kedua-dua pihak di dalam kamarnya, semalam.

Peguam Muhammad Faiz Fadzil yang mewakili Khalid yang juga Pengarah Komunikasi Parti Amanah Negara (PAN) ketika ditemui mengesahkan perkara itu dan memaklumkan mahkamah turut menasihatkan pihaknya meneruskan proses mediasi bagi menyelesaikan kes itu secara baik.

Elina Abdul Rashid pula hadir bagi pihak Hassan.

Pada 29 April lalu, Khalid memfailkan saman

terhadap Hassan atas dakwaan memfitnahnya berhubung isu penjualan minuman keras.

Berdasarkan pernyataan tuntutan, Khalid mendakwa Hassan mengucapkan perkataan berunsur fitnah dalam ceramahnya di Dewan Rukun Tetangga, Seksyen 17, Shah Alam pada 30 Januari 2012.

Khalid mendakwa video ucapan itu kemudian disunting dan dimuat naik ke laman media sosial.

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»»INFO

- Panjang jajaran: 37 km (35 km jajaran bertingkat + 2 km jajaran di bawah tanah)
- Bilangan stesen: 26 (25 stesen bertingkat +1 stesen bawah tanah)
- Kemudahan 'Park & Ride': 6,000 unit tempat letak kereta
- Anggaran penumpang menjelang 2020: 74,000 penumpang/sehari
- Jumlah stesen berintegrasi: 5 stesen (MRT1, LRT2, KTM Komuter, BRT-2)
- Masa perjalanan: 58 minit

Shah Alam

Perdana Menteri Datuk Seri Najib Razak mahu pembinaan, perkhidmatan dan tahap keselamatan projek Transit Aliran Ringan 3 (LRT3) mencapai taraf kelas dunia.

Beliau berkata, Koridor Barat Lembah Klang mampu meningkatkan lagi unjuran ekonomi negara yang kini mencakupi 37 peratus Ke- luaran Dalam Negara Kasar (KDNK) apabila pembinaan LRT3 siap dilaksanakan pada tahun 2020.

Menurutnya, projek jajaran sejauh 37 kilometer (KM) dari Bandar Utama, Petaling Jaya ke Johan Setia, Klang bernilai RM 9 billion itu bakal memberi manfaat kepada kira-kira dua juta penduduk.

"Saya difahamkan teknologi terkini (pembinaan) digunakan adalah 'U-Trough' berbanding kaedah pembinaan konvensional. Ini menjadikan standard projek ini bertaraf dunia. Pembinaan (LRT3) akan lebih lancar dan mengikut masa (ditetapkan) di samping tiada kompromi dalam soal keselamatan," katanya pada Majlis Pelancaran LRT3 di Stadium Malawati di sini, semalam.

FAKTA
Projek LRT bernilai RM 9 billion itu bakal beri manfaat kepada dua juta penduduk

keselamatan," katanya pada Majlis Pelancaran LRT3 di Stadium Malawati di sini, semalam.

Turut hadir Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali; Menteri Kesejahteraan Bandar, Perumahan dan Kerajaan Tempatan Tan Sri Noh Omar dan Pengerusi Prasarana Malaysia Berhad Tan Sri Ismail Adam.

Sasar standard dunia

■ Najib mahu pembinaan, perkhidmatan LRT 3 bertaraf antarabangsa

Kerja pembinaan LRT3 dijadualkan bermula awal tahun depan dan dijangka siap pada 31 Ogos 2020.

Jajarannya akan dibahagikan kepada tiga bahagian iaitu Segmen 1 (Bandar Utama-Persada PLUS), Segmen 2 (Glenmarie-Bukit Raja) dan Segmen 3 (Kawasan 17-Johan Setia) membabitkan 26 stesen.

Dalam pada itu Najib mengumumkan diskaun 50 peratus kepada pengguna LRT dan Monorel antara jam 6 pagi hingga 7 pagi mulai 16 September ini.

Sementara itu, beliau turut mengucapkan penghargaan kepada Mohamed Azmin atas kerjasama kerajaan negeri melancarkan lagi pembinaan projek berkenaan.

Beliau berkata, walaupun mereka mempunyai perbezaan pandangan namun fokus Kerajaan Pusat dan kerajaan negeri adalah demi rakyat.

"Walaupun kita berbeza pandangan tetapi perlu diingat rakyat mesti didahulukan," katanya sambil disambut sorakan gemuruh daripada hadirin.



SULTAN Sharafuddin menunjukkan gambar kerabat Di Raja Selangor kepada Panglima Tentera Laut ASEAN, semalam.

Perkukuh hubungan negara ASEAN

Klang: Sultan Selangor Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah berkenan menerima kunjungan hormat Panglima Tentera Laut ASEAN di Istana Alam Shah, semalam.

Majlis sembah menghadap baginda selaku Yang Dipertua Tentera Laut Diraja Malaysia (TLDM) itu dilakukan sempena Mesyuarat Panglima Tentera Laut Negara ASEAN (ANCM) membabitkan 10 negara bermula dari 22 Ogos hingga hari ini.

Panglima TLDM Laksamana Tan Sri Ahmad Ka-

marulzaman Ahmad Badaruddin berkata, pada sesi sembah menghadap ber langsung selama sejam itu, Sultan Sharafuddin turut berkenan bercerita mengenai sejarah Selangor dan TLDM kepada delegasi terbabit.

"Ia secara tidak langsung membuka mata panglima tentera laut ASEAN untuk mengukuhkan lagi hubungan antara negara anggota terutamanya dari segi budaya dan kepentingan hubungan serantau," katanya.

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300 sertai kayuhan santai

Shah Alam: Seramai 300 individu membabitkan komuniti Shah Alam dan ahli kelab basikal menyertai kayuhan santai sempena hari kemerdekaan anjuran Majlis Bandaraya Shah Alam (MBSA) di Dataran Shah Alam, semalam.



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NOR Hisham menunjukkan anugerah antarabangsa yang diterima MPSJ selepas memperkenalkan Green Collaboration-Community Edible Greens.

Lestari hijau taraf global

■ Inisiatif pulihara alam sekitar MPSJ diiktiraf

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Subang Jaya

Majlis Perbandaran Subang Jaya (MPSJ) diiktiraf di peringkat antarabangsa sebagai 'The International Green World Ambassador 2016' selepas mempraktikkan inisiatif memulihara dan meningkatkan kelestarian alam sekitar.

Projek yang dinamakan Green Collaboration-Community Edible Greens diberikan anugerah oleh The Green Organization berpangkalan di London selepas usaha pihak berkuasa tempatan (PBT) itu mengajak komuniti setempat untuk memanfaatkan tanah terbiar dengan tanaman organik segar.

Yang Dipertua MPSJ Da-

tuk Nor Hisham Ahmad Dahlan berkata, inisiatif itu juga bagi melahirkan komuniti dan generasi yang cintakan alam sekitar serta membina kejiranan yang kukuh dan harmoni.

"Sejak 2014, ini adalah pengiktirafan keenam di peringkat antarabangsa dan usaha ini sebenarnya dilaksanakan untuk kebaikan masyarakat, bukan untuk kami semata-mata.

"Namun, pengiktirafan ini kami ambil sebagai satu cabaran untuk terus meningkatkan usaha menghasilkan inovasi sosial dan menjadikan perbandaran ini sebagai sebuah Bandar Hijau menjelang 2030," katanya selepas mempe-

ngerusikan Mesyuarat Penuh MPSJ, semalam.

Beliau berkata, lebih membanggakan projek itu dalam penilaian juri untuk merangkul The Green World Awards For The Environment 2016 yang dijadualkan ber-

langsung di Korea, Oktober depan.

"Pengiktirafan diterima ini bukan perkara utama, tetapi kerja serta perkhidmatan untuk orang ramai yang diambil kira bagi menentukan tahap pencapaian terbaik.

"Kalau kita terima mana-mana anugerah pun, kita mesti kena tunjukkan tahap yang setanding dengan apa yang dimiliki. Jadi ini cabaran besar buat kami," katanya.

FAKTA

Inisiatif itu juga bagi melahirkan komuniti dan generasi yang cintakan alam sekitar

Ronaldinho gembira beraksi di suku akhir

Kuala Lumpur: Patrick Ronaldinho (*gambar kiri*) pastinya gembira mendengar pengesahan pengurus pasukan Selangor Amirudin Shari yang mengesahkan dia boleh disenaraikan untuk aksi suku akhir Piala Malaysia menentang PKNS FC di Stadium Shah Alam, Ahad ini.

la susulan semakan perjanjian Persatuan Bolasepak Selangor (FAS) dengan kelab itu yang tidak menghalang Ronaldinho beraksi sekiranya kedua-dua pasukan bertemu dalam mana-mana saingan tempatan.

“Saya boleh sahkan dia boleh bermain dan saya juga sudah menyemak perkembangan mengenai situasi ini bersama pengurusan PKNS FC. Jadi saya percaya dia boleh diturunkan aksi suku akhir nanti,” katanya ketika dihubungi, semalam.

Bagaimanapun jelasnya, terpulang kepada pengendali pasukan K Gunalan un-

tuk menyenaraikan pemain kebangsaan Liberia itu nanti.

“Terserah kepada jurulatih dan jika benar-benar cergas, saya pasti dia akan diturunkan nanti. Kami tidak akan memandang rendah perlawanan itu,” katanya.

Semalam, menerusi laporan Arena Metro, peledak utama Red Giants itu meluahkan rasa kecewanya kemungkinan tidak dapat beraksi susulan statusnya selaku pemain pinjaman yang mungkin menghalang dia daripada turun menentang pasukan lama.

Selangor yang juga juara bertahan Piala Malaysia mara ke kelompok lapan terbaik selepas muncul juara Kumpulan B dengan mengumpul 11 mata, manakala PKNS yang juga naib juara Piala FA mengakhiri kedudukan di posisi kedua dengan lapan mata untuk mara dari Kumpulan C.



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300 batang pokok bakau ditanam di Hutan Simpan Banjar Utara

TANAM POKOK. Seramai 40 orang menyertai program menanam pokok bakau kurap di kawasan Hutan Simpan Banjar Utara dekat Kampung Sungai Kajang, Tanjung Karang, Selangor baru-baru ini.

Program dengan kerjasama Jabatan Perhutanan Selangor yang disertai oleh penuntut Universiti Selangor, ahli Sahabat Alam Malaysia dan Pertubuhan Alam Sekitar Sejahtera Malaysia itu berjaya menanam 300 batang pokok bakau kurap.

Antara objektif aktiviti berkenaan adalah untuk meningkatkan kesedaran tentang alam sekitar tentang kepentingan menjaga kawasan paya bakau.



PARA peserta program menanam pokok bakau kurap bergambar di kawasan Hutan Simpan Banjar Utara dekat Kampung Sungai Kajang, Tanjung Karang baru-baru ini.

Public mobility key to economic growth, says Najib

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SHAH ALAM — Completing an efficient public transport grid is key to pushing Malaysia to the next level of economic development, said Datuk Seri Najib Razak.

Launching the construction of the Light Rail Transit 3 (LRT3) line, the prime minister said greater public mobility was a key catalyst in driving growth.

"LRT3 is a key component of the Urban Rail Development Plan and is designed to provide an integrated and sustainable mass transit system," he said.

"This will facilitate improved socio-economic conditions for the average citizen in areas where the plan is implemented."

Najib said it was especially important to focus on the Klang Valley as the population of the area would grow substantially.

"Over 10 million people are expected to be living here and in the Greater Kuala Lumpur area by 2020 and the region is responsible for 37 per cent of the country's income," he said.

"There is a pressing need to improve the liveability of the area and the government has rightly pursued its strategy of improving the country's rail links and other channels of public transport."

Najib said the public's perception of public transport services had dramatically improved under his watch and an ever increasing number of Malaysians had come to depend on such services.

"Customer satisfaction studies undertaken by the Land Public Transport Commission found a huge increase in the customer satisfaction index — from 48 per cent in 2010 to 74 per cent last year," he said.

"This increase is not without basis as the Urban Public Transport Plan had seen the completion of the LRT Line Extension Project which has benefitted an additional 300,000 commuters."

He thanked Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali for supporting the project, saying political

differences were not an excuse to ensure the people were taken care off.

"I would like to thank the Selangor government for their cooperation in this project. Despite our differences we can agree that the people's interests and needs must come first," he said.

Najib also announced a 50 per cent discount for commuters using the Rapid KL, Monorail and LRT networks between 6am and 7am from Sept 16.

Present at the event yesterday were Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government Minister Tan Sri Noh Omar, Transport Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai, MRCB Group Managing Director Tan Sri Mohamad Salim Fateh Din, Prasarana Group chairman Tan Sri Ismail Adam and chief executive officer Datuk Azmi Aziz

LRT3, which cost RM9 billion, is a major undertaking and is expected to be completed by Aug 31, 2020. It will span 37km with 26 stations between Klang and Bandar Utama.

Joint venture company, MRCB George Kent Sdn Bhd, was appointed as the Project Delivery Partner for the LRT3 alignment by Prasarana.

With the stated goals of reducing traffic congestion, it is estimated to benefit two million people from the coast to the Klang Valley and the Greater Kuala Lumpur area.

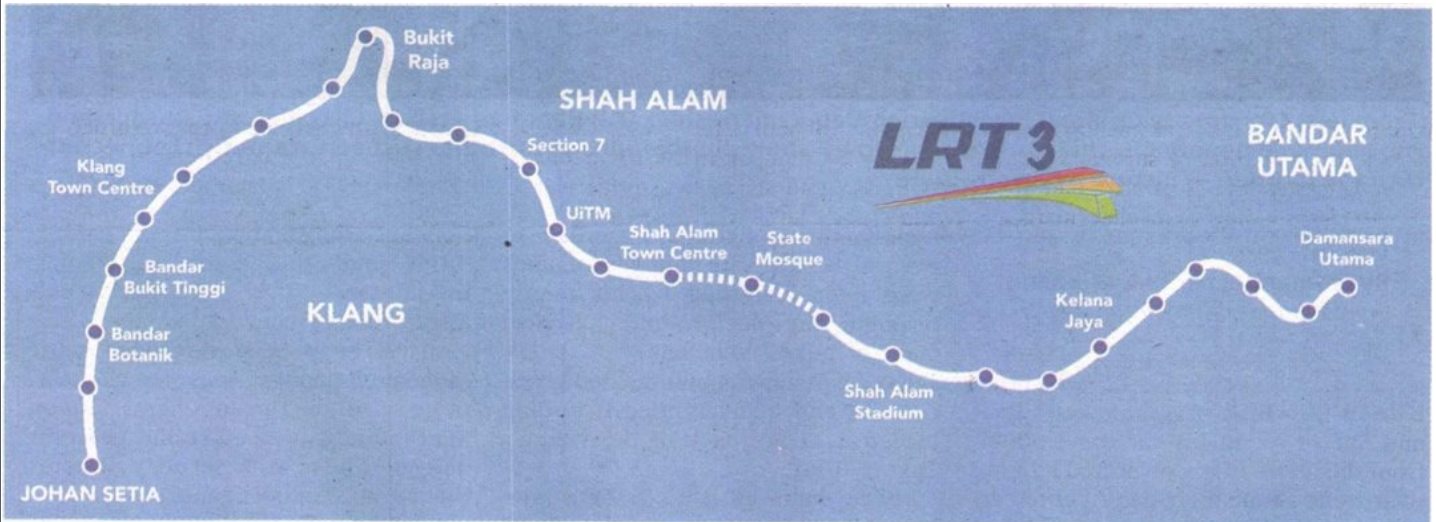
At least 10 stations will include park and ride facilities to encourage people to leave their cars at the stations to ease the heavily stressed road network.

LRT3 will also provide employment for up to 423,300 workers especially from the logistics and construction sectors and will see the use of advanced construction technology.

Part of the new innovations will include the "U-Through" which will allow for segments of the elevated track used in the LRT3 to be prefabricated in diverse range of construction yards, allowing for reduced construction time.

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The new 37km line between Klang and Bandar Utama will have 26 stations.



Najib gets a bird's-eye view of the LRT3 line with (from left) Salim, Liow, Azmi and Ismail. — Picture by Bernama

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> Clean-up needed  
Roadside cleaners at Damansara Perdana have been absent for the last three weeks. The area is dirty. Report was lodged with MBPJ (16-12606) but nothing has been done so far. – Roy 

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From back lanes to rivers

Eateries continue dumping food waste into drains despite the many rulings and guidelines by the authorities to prevent pollution of our waters. >2&3

Care for environment goes down the drain

Food waste identified as main pollutant in eight rivers flowing through Kuala Lumpur and Selangor



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TEEMING with food waste, clogged with grease and filled with water the colour of curry, drains surrounding coffeeshops and food stalls in most areas in Kuala Lumpur and Selangor can be a nauseating sight.

This filth then flows into rivers and pollutes the water.

Studies on the water quality under the River of Life project identified food waste as the main pollutant in eight rivers flowing through Kuala Lumpur and Selangor.

Sungai Keroh recorded a BOD (biochemical oxygen demand) count of 565.39kg per day.

This means more than 500kg of oxygen and bacteria are needed to dilute just this one aspect of pollution on a daily basis.

Kepong Hawkers and Petty Traders Association vice-chairman Ng Yow Loon said the problem stemmed from irresponsibility.

"There is a Government ruling that restaurants must have rubbish and grease traps installed so the food waste does not directly go into the drains and end up clogging the pipes. But many do not comply.

"The main problem is with the stall owners in coffeeshops who build sinks with pipes that run directly into the drains.

"The coffeeshop owner who is renting out the space to them must include the requirement of installing grease and rubbish traps in each

rental contract.

"Either that or install a communal trap to accommodate the tenants," added Ng.

Coffeeshop and food stall owners claimed they flush the drains with water after business hours daily, but the grey gunk and fish scales stuck to drain walls, that have algae, shows otherwise.

Those are stories Kuala Lumpur City Hall (DBKL) Health and Environment Department director Dr Hayati Abdullah does not buy.

Together with a team of health inspectors, she oversees 6,269 restaurants, one third of which are in complexes.

The department's list of no-nos are clear. No direct discharge of water from pipes into drains. No washing plates or preparing food in back lanes. Only restaurants with fat, oil and grease (FOG) traps will be issued with licences. This was implemented in 2005.

The biggest challenge was dealing with the mentality of the public.

In 2011, the department realised that the compulsory grease trap rule was not working.

A quick check with officers revealed that some operators had neglected to clean and maintain the traps, resulting in clogged drains.

As a shortcut measure, restaurant owners had disconnected the pipes leading to the filtering machines.

When the department realised this, it made it compulsory for owners to provide copies of maintenance contracts with DBKL-registered contractors.

This was implemented in 2012, but the problem remains unsolved.

Solution to the problem

Shutting down eateries for about two weeks was the most effective way to garner compliance, said Hayati.

In her experience, issuing compounds was not effective because the maximum amount was only RM2,000, which they could easily make back.

And after paying the fine, they would most likely go back to their old habits.

"Many of the owners will clean up on the day itself. The next morning they are at our office waiting for our inspectors already," said Hayati.

Gerakan Federal Territory Acting Youth Chief and Kepong parliamentary coordinator Ong Siang Liang urged authorities to take action instead of practicing the soft approach.

"Perpetrators who do not comply after receiving notices must be shut down. Ignorance should no longer be an issue because education on water quality preservation had started as far back as 10 years ago," he said.

Association of Water and Energy Research Malaysia president Piarapakaran Subramaniam attributed dumping wastes into drains to infrastructure which had yet to catch up with the demands of a growing

population.

"Wastewater from kitchens and bathrooms have only one destination – the drain.

"This has resulted in the habitual practice of coffeeshop and food stall operators, who think nothing of flushing leftover broth and gravy down the ditch.

"There are only two places where

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the swill will end up – either the river or the sea,” he said, calling for a change in attitude of the operators.

In the face of a looming long-term water crisis brought about by weather change, population growth and development, he reiterated that water was a precious source that had to be preserved.

“There is a need to revise the wastewater discharge standard and for heftier penalties.

“Slapping the perpetrators with small fines is not enough. They should be made to pay for the impact on the population as well. If it means shutting them down, so be it,” he said.

Balakong assemblyman Eddie Ng said there was a need to educate business owners who do not see profit in practising environment-friendly habits.

At a dialogue with shopowners in Taman Megah, Cheras in Selangor, Ng confirmed that two coffeeshops in the area – Fu Hai and Sau Seng – had agreed to install grease traps.

However, there was another problem. Some shopowners had covered up drains to create more parking space.

“I have given them two weeks to make openings so that the contractors can clean up drains. If not, I’m going to complain to the local council,” said Ng.

Although he had confirmed later that the owners had replied and promised to cooperate, Ng did not believe that he would see clean water in the drains anytime soon.

In Kuala Lumpur, cleaning of public areas is the responsibility of Solid Waste Management and Public Cleansing Corporation

(SWCorp Malaysia) as stated in the Solid Waste and Public Cleansing Management Act 2007 (Act 672).

The local authorities no longer have jurisdiction over the collection and disposal of garbage, as well as cleaning of public roads, areas, toilets and drains.

Alam Flora is now tasked with cleaning public drains in Kuala Lumpur.

In sharing her point of view on this issue, SWCorp Malaysia Federal Territories director Hazilah Gumri said local authorities must still play their part to enforce the rules.

“If the food outlets do not abide by the rules, their licences can be withdrawn. This is because operators of food outlets must ensure food wastes are not channelled into drains.

“It is also time to phase out roadside stalls in order to reduce problems like direct discharge of waste into public drains,” said Hazilah.

Cost is an issue

At the Taman Seri Sentosa Market and Hawker Centre, one of the 33 food courts run by DBKL, Health and Environment Department assistant officer Fauzi Phang said the installation of a communal FOG system cost RM400,000 including drainage and piping works.

DBKL maintained 98 communal grease traps and the cost of maintenance was RM5mil for a two-year contract.

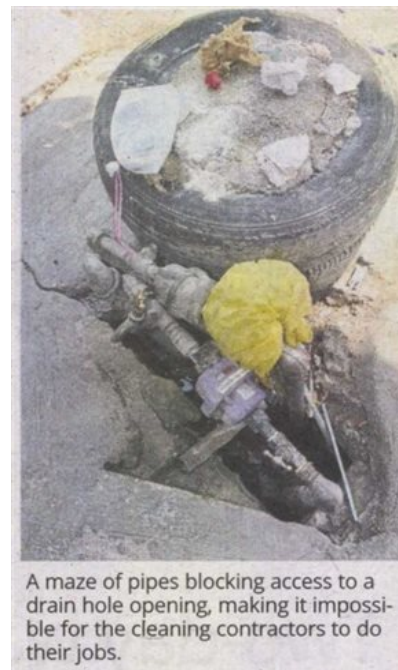
He said the waste was sent to a recycling centre that exported it to Hong Kong to be recycled into biodiesel, candles and cosmetics products.

For a stall owner, a fibre glass

model with a capacity of 80 litres would cost RM450 only.

“It is much cheaper to handle the waste at source instead of dealing with it when it reaches the river. By then, it can cost the taxpayers’ hundreds of million,” said Fauzi.

DBKL Licensing and Petty Traders Management Department senior assistant director Irwan Shafari Wahab said the public could take action by contacting DBKL’s call centre 1800-88-3255 or SMS 15888 to report these eateries. Action will be taken within three days. Those living in Selangor can either call Petaling Jaya City Council at 1800-22-8100 or Shah Alam City Council at 1800-88-4477.



A maze of pipes blocking access to a drain hole opening, making it impossible for the cleaning contractors to do their jobs.

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How your residential coffeeshop/food court becomes the main source of river pollution

Cook washes plates and prepares food in backlane. Throws food waste and waste water directly into drain.

Pipe discharges grease and gravies directly into drain.

- > Grease and rubbish clog up drains.
- > Residents suffer from bad smell.

Sugarcane drink stall throws more rubbish into drain.

Floods occur

Drains are covered to make more space.

As a result the drains cannot be cleaned.

- 1 Food waste has been identified as the main polluter of eight rivers in Kuala Lumpur and Selangor.
- 2 The cause has been traced to coffeeshops, restaurants, food courts and stalls which dump food waste and grease into drains.



This is how the drain of the restaurant with the backlane kitchen looks like.

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Breaking all the rules: The health department prohibits direct discharge of water from pipes into drains as well as washing plates or preparing food in back lanes. Only restaurants with fat, oil and grease (FOG) traps will be issued licences. This restaurant in Taman Megah, Cheras, however, is still operating as a result of poor enforcement. — GRACE CHEN/The Star

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MPKj: Open tender has led to RM5mil cut in costs

THE Kajang Municipal Council (MPKj) has saved around RM5mil by carrying out open tender for its projects.

Speaking to the press, MPKj councillor Bryan Lai, who is part of the council's tender committee, said RM55.5mil of Malaysian Road Records Inventory System (Marris) funds were allocated to the council.

"The council was able to save approximately RM5.8mil, which is 28% of the estimated cost of RM20mil."

On concerns about the quality of work, Lai clarified that contracts were not necessarily awarded to the lowest bidder.

"We take into account the company's background, the market price for materials and other aspects," he said at Balakong assemblyman Eddie Ng's press conference about an abandoned community hall project in Jalan Cengal 4, Taman Impian Ehsan.

Ng said the contractor was appointed on Feb 20 last year and the expected comple-

tion date was Feb 9 this year.

"The contractor asked for an extension and MPKj had given more time but the contractor still failed to complete the project on time.

"The contract was terminated on July 12. The council will hold an open tender in October and work is expected to resume in November or December," he said.

According to Ng, the RM1.87mil project was 75% complete and MPKj had paid the contractor RM500,000.

"MPKj will blacklist the contractor via the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB).

"The bond of RM53,000 and liquidated and ascertained damages (LAD) charges of RM19,000 will be imposed on the contractor," he said.

He said the 35,000 households in the area needed a community hall, adding that residents had been requesting for one over the past five years.

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Residents in affected areas such as Jalan 17/46 in Section 17, Petaling Jaya, lining up to fill up buckets and containers with water from the water tanker on the second day of the disruption.



Contractors seen repairing the burst pipe along Jalan 17/1 in Section 17, Petaling Jaya. According to Syabas, water supply is expected to resume at 6am today. — Photos: JAROD LIM/The Star

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Two-day water cut in PJ affects residents and business owners

RESIDENTS and business operators in parts of Petaling Jaya experienced dry taps for the past two days caused by a burst pipe on Jalan 17/1 in Section 17, Petaling Jaya.

The water disruption affected Sections 16, 17, 19 and 21, as well as SS2.

Section 16 resident Diana Chin, 22, said she was forced to use rainwater to shower upon returning home late on Tuesday night.

"The house I live in is quite old, so the water tank was unable to store sufficient water. Unfortunately, my family and I were not prepared for this disruption.

"I've been unable to get proper updates on when supply will return. I've no idea how I am going to shower if it does not rain," she added.

The marketing executive said her mother had to go to the supermarket to buy drinking water for their household.

Pravin Rao, 45, said his family had to eat out and shower at a

friend's place as there was no water supply to their house.

"We are very frustrated as we cannot clean or cook at home. Our calls to Puspel (Syabas customer service centre) are also going unanswered. We need Syabas to send water to our area," said the Section 17 resident.

Some coffeeshops and restaurants in the affected areas were partially or completely closed for business yesterday as they had no water supply.

A coffeeshop operator who wanted to be known as Madam Yong said almost all the hawkers at her premises could not run their businesses yesterday.

"Although the problem started on Tuesday, we were still able to operate using water from our water tank," she said, adding that the tank had since dried up.

Madam Yong, who lives near

her shop in Jalan 17/10, said she was forced to shower and get drinking water from a friend's house in Kampung Kayu Ara.

"Four of the five hawkers here could not run their noodle stall and had suffered losses. I hope the water supply will return soon," said the 55-year-old.

C.S. Tan, who runs a stall selling mixed rice, also on Jalan 17/10, said he was forced to make do with whatever he had and had to close his business earlier.

"There was some water on Wednesday morning, but the supply quickly ran out. So I could cook only a smaller selection of dishes and everything ran out by 1.30pm," he said.

Bukit Gasing assemblyman R. Rajiv urged residents to lodge complaints and get updates on the water situation through the mySyabas smartphone app or Puspel's Twitter and Facebook pages.

"Syabas was on-site immediately on Tuesday when the burst pipe was reported. The repairs were initially expected to be completed by Tuesday evening, but they encountered faulty joints that delayed the repairs," said Rajiv.

"My office has been coordinating with Syabas to get water tankers to provide water to the affected neighbourhoods.

"I was informed that four tankers were sent to residential areas and SK Sri Damai on Wednesday morning.

"I've requested for eight tankers to be sent in the evening when there would be a surge in demand for water when people return home from work," he said, adding that about 3,500 households in Sections 16 and 17 were affected by the water disruption.

Rajiv said according to Syabas and Air Selangor, water supply was expected to resume at 6am today.

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MPSJ: Remove ads, or else

Developers advertising unapproved units given three months to do so, says council

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DEVELOPERS who have placed advertisements on their residential and office units that have yet to be approved by the Subang Jaya Municipal Council (MPSJ) are required to remove their advertising materials.

MPSJ president Datuk Nor Hisham Ahmad Dahlan said the developers were given three months to remove their advertisements, or the council would take action.

"It has come to our attention that some developers are advertising residential and office lots. Some have even sold off property units without MPSJ's approval.

"It is not right for them to advertise as we have not carried out inspection and cannot validate if the buildings are safe

for occupation.

"They should wait for the council's green light before proceeding to advertise.

"We are discussing on carrying out enforcement with regards to this matter," he said at the council's full board meeting, yesterday.

MPSJ will also look into demolishing a dilapidated sales gallery in Pusat Bandar Puchong, which has become an eyesore in the township.

Ahmad Dahlan said the two buildings which had been ready since 2010 was initially earmarked to be converted into a multi-storey carpark.

"The initial plan was to provide more parking bays on that state-owned land.

"However, our Engineering Department has inspected the building and found that the structure is not safe for occupation.

"We will demolish the building and decide what to do with the land," he said.

Separately, the issue of thugs harassing waste disposal contrac-

tors hired by MPSJ has resurfaced.

The most recent case occurred in Taman Perindustrian Puchong 1/5, when a garbage collection truck was stopped by thugs who demanded RM5,000.

MPSJ spokesman Muhammad Azli said this was a recurring problem that was hampering the council's effort in carrying out its work.

"The thugs are going after the contractors we hired and not approaching our enforcement team.

"Whether it is a contractor to build drainage or to collect rubbish, the contractors are told to pay money or else they would not be allowed to enter the sites and do their work.

"We have lodged police reports on this matter and are waiting for the police to take action against the thugs," he said.

On a different note, MPSJ was awarded The International Green World Ambassador 2016 by a London-based environmental organisation, The Green Organisation, on Aug 8 for its green initiatives.

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DU park ready by end of August

RESIDENTS in Damansara Utama will welcome a newly revamped park in Jalan SS20/12 by end of the month.

The park, which was upgraded to "active field" status, will be equipped with a gazebo, new walkway, proper lighting and outdoor exercise equipment such as parallel bars and taiji wheel.

Resident Hui Seng Kit, 50, said a better equipped park would encourage people to spend more time outdoors, exercising.

"The park is a gathering place for residents and this will foster a closer community," Hui added.

Damansara Utama assemblyman Yeo Bee

Yin said the upgrade cost RM119,570.

"We installed an underground drywell tank, four types of exercise equipment, benches and lightings," she said, explaining that the "active field" initiative was the state government's effort to standardise selected parks in Selangor.

Petaling Jaya City (MBPJ) councillor Jamaliah Jamaludin said an "active field" was identified based on factors such as suggestion by the councillor, feedback from residents, and the state of the park as well as its sustainability.

"The proposed park will then be assessed by MBPJ Landscape Department and they will make the selection," she added.

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Move to cut food wastage

MBPJ's project aims to ensure less uneaten meals go into landfills

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AS PART of efforts to act against climate change, Petaling Jaya City Council (MBPJ) will soon start a "PJ Save Food, No Wastage" campaign to prevent cooked food from ending up in landfills as rotting food releases methane gas that causes temperature to rise.

Petaling Jaya mayor Mohd Azizi Mohd Zain said tonnes of food were thrown away and end up in landfills, contributing to the greenhouse gas produced by decomposition of organic materials.

"Methane is 25 times more potent than the carbon pollution from car exhaust. All these contribute to climate change.

"Our aim in this campaign is to educate consumers not to waste food and reduce tonnes of food that go into landfills," he said.

Food waste refers to food that is discarded or not eaten.

Mohd Azizi said people often ended up buying more than they needed when they went marketing.

"Our aim is to change people's behavioural

patterns, by encouraging them to take stock of what they have and make a list of what they need each time before they go to the market. And if they do it often enough, that will become second nature," he said.

He added that keeping check of the food at home would help consumers cut down the amount of wasted foodstuff that were past their expiry date.

According to Malaysian Agricultural Research and Development Institute (Mardi), Malaysians waste about 15,000 tonnes of food, daily. Of this, 3,000 tonnes are untouched leftovers that are still edible. This amount is equivalent to three decent meals a day for 5.3 million people.

MBPJ Solid Waste Management Department director Lee Lih Shyan said based on random questions put forward to shoppers in Petaling Jaya, it was found that people tend to shop on impulse, picking up food items on promotion, instead of being guided by need based on a checklist.

He added that the council would work with food retail businesses such as supermarkets, hypermarkets and neighbourhood provision stores to place posters in their premises to encourage consumers not to waste food.

Mohd Azizi said councillors would be asked to organise talks in their assigned zones to create more awareness.

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SUBANG Jaya Municipal Council (MPSJ) was honoured as a Green World Ambassador 2016 by The Green Organisation during a ceremony at Royal Victoria Docks in London.

The recognition came as a result of the success of the council's Green Collaboration – Community Edible Greens project, which won the Green Apple Environment Award 2015 in Westminster Palace, London.

It is an international affirmation of the council's commitment to create a harmonious community and sustainable municipality.

MPSJ's neighbourhood community project matches families with available land for them to cultivate fruits and vegetables for their own use and for sale.

The initiative not only allows the community to utilise unwanted plots of land to plant organic and fresh produce, it also creates a generation of people who love the environment besides fostering good relationship among neighbours.

Families were able to achieve self-reliance from their efforts.

This reduced their grocery shopping trips, thereby reducing traffic congestion and carbon monoxide emission.

According to MPSJ, some 400 families with no gardens of their own now manage the assigned plots of land under the scheme, and the number is expected to increase with 30 to 40 new families each month.

The project is part of the council's efforts towards achieving Green City status for the municipality by 2030.

As part of this global recognition, MPSJ will get to have a paper on its project published in *The Green Book*, an annual publication on the best environmental practices

Global recognition for MPSJ's green project

Council to have paper on effort published in book as part of honour



that is distributed to environment professionals, universities and libraries around the world by The Green Organisation.

The project will next be evaluated for The Green World Awards for the Environment 2016. The awards ceremony will be held in October in Seoul, South Korea.

MPSJ public relations officer Helda Syima Abu Talab (left) and MPSJ Landscape Department senior assistant director Azlina Mat Salim holding the Green World Ambassador 2016 certificate and plaque after the awards presentation in London.

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NGO given refrigerated truck

It also receives RM25,000 worth of equipment to help group distribute food to the poor and homeless

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A REFRIGERATED truck as well as RM25,000 worth of equipment and fresh produce were donated to Kechara Soup Kitchen Society by Segi Value Holdings Sdn Bhd in the company's efforts to give back to society.

This donation is also part of Segi Value Holdings's corporate social responsibility initiative in support of the Zero Food Wastage programme initiated by Selangor princess Tengku Zatashah Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah as well as Kechara Soup Kitchen Society (KSK) Food Bank programme for the urban poor in the Klang Valley.

"Segi Fresh Supermarket is a community-based organisation; we serve the middle- to lower-income group, providing fresh produce at very affordable price," said Segi Value Holdings Sdn Bhd director Syed Haizam Jamalullail during the hand-over ceremony.

"We see ourselves giving back to the community above and beyond what we do as a business, which is why this partnership with KSK is very important to us.

"The refrigerated lorry is something we wanted to contribute to help Kechara Soup Kitchen continue its good work, to help the organisation distribute its fresh products to those who need them," he added.

This is not the company's first contribution, with Segi Value Holdings Sdn Bhd having contributed many other forms of donations in the past.

Tengku Zatashah, who was also present at the ceremony, noted that more than 270,000 tonnes of edible food were thrown away during Ramadan and had kick-started the



Tengku Zatashah (right) helping out with the preparation of food for the homeless and needy at the KSK soup kitchen.

#Zerofoodwastage project aimed at channelling excess food to those who need it the most, through KSK.

"I was inspired by France, the first country to impose a law where supermarkets and restaurants cannot throw away food, which will instead be given to charities for the homeless," said the Selangor princess who is a regular volunteer with KSK.

"So this was something I thought was a really great idea, and if we could do that here in Malaysia, it will be amazing.

"And I've seen it myself; it's really an experience to go out and feed the homeless. It's something you cannot ignore and as a community, we should all help," she added.

Kechara Soup Kitchen Society is a registered and tax-exempt non-governmental organisation that not only prepares and distributes food, necessities and services (medical, counselling and referrals to shelter and employment) to the homeless and urban poor, it also runs the KSK Food Bank where basic provisions and other household essential items are dropped off at the KSK soup

kitchen which serves as the collection centre to be delivered to several charitable homes and poor families in the Klang Valley.

"Ever since the start of the KSK Food Bank, many donors, comprising individuals and companies, have come forth to give foodstuff and essential items so that we are able to deliver these items to the homes of the needy," said KSK president Henry Ooi.

"The refrigerated truck will really ease our work in serving the community," he said, while expressing his gratitude over the much-needed vehicle.

"The truck will further aid KSK's efforts to collect more unused food products from various sources, as well as keep food in optimal condition while delivering to those in need," he added.

The event also saw volunteers loading up the truck with the donated items, which will be distributed to the poor and needy directly, besides distribution of food to the urban poor and homeless at the KSK soup kitchen.

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(From left) Segi Value Holdings Sdn Bhd senior corporate general manager Fong Leong, managing director Chui Ah Hock, Syed Haizam, Tengku Zatahah and Ooi during the handover ceremony of the refrigerated truck.



KSK's motto – Hunger Knows No Barriers – portrays what the organisation does to help everyone regardless of race and creed.

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Visionary leaders: Najib and Liow discussing with a scale model of the LRT3 with Prasarana Malaysia Bhd Chairman Ismail Adam (right) after the launch ceremony in Shah Alam.

Najib: LRT3 is proof of Govt's diligent planning

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SHAH ALAM: The Light Rail Transit 3 (LRT3) project is a manifestation of the diligent and careful planning of the Government Transformation Programme, Datuk Seri Najib Tun Razak said.

Easy mobility was a catalyst in generating the nation's economy, the Prime Minister said.

Najib said an integrated transportation system was much needed given the expected population growth of 10 million in greater Kuala Lumpur and Klang Valley by 2020.

A bigger population meant that the country needed methods to ease traffic congestion, he added.

Speaking at the launch of LRT3 project here yesterday, he said the rail network in the country had proven that the task could indeed be achieved.

Also at the launch yesterday was Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Azmin Ali.

The 37km rail alignment will provide accessibility to commuters in Klang, Shah Alam and Petaling Jaya.

Construction is scheduled to begin early 2017 and is expected to be completed by Aug 31, 2020 with a capped cost of RM9bil.

In a statement later, Transport Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai described the LRT3 project as a new milestone in urban

rail transportation.

"As the population within the Western Corridor of Klang Valley grows, the increased capacity and connectivity offered by the LRT3 will encourage modal transfer from private vehicles, reduce congestion and improve quality of life.

"LRT3 will continue to address issues raised in the Urban Rail Development Plan, which is focused on the need for a more efficient transportation network within the suburban areas of Klang Valley," he said.

Liow said other Government initiatives included the capacity increase for the existing Kelana Jaya and Ampang LRT lines, the GO KL free bus services, the Sunway Bus Rapid Transit, the LRT Extension Project and Mass Rapid Transit Line 1.

"We recognise the importance of maximising the benefit of LRT3, that is why the rail was designed to ensure integration with existing and future public transportation services such as the MRT1, LRT, BRT and the KTM.

"These interchanges will reduce the barriers of making a land public transport journey while reducing the overload at the current public transportation network," he said, adding that these public transport projects had increased the modal share of urban public transportation from 10% in 2009 to 20% last year.

"Our target is to increase it to 40% by 2030," he added.

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Asean navy chiefs meet Selangor Sultan

KLANG: The Sultan of Selangor Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah granted an audience with the navy chiefs of 10 Asean countries at Istana Alam Shah here.

The Sultan, who is the Commodore-in-Chief of the Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN), spent about an hour discussing and exchanging ideas with the navy chiefs on maritime issues.

The visit was made in conjunction with the four-day 10th Asean Navy Chiefs Conference, which will end today.

RMN chief Admiral Datuk Seri Ahmad Kamarulzaman Ahmad Badaruddin said during yesterday's meeting Sultan Sharafuddin spoke to the delegates about the history of Selangor and the RMN.

He added that the Sultan also called on the navy chiefs to work closely with each other's naval forces to help safeguard the region's security.

Kamarulzaman said the navy chiefs of the 10 Asean countries agreed that their close ties have provided much benefit to the maritime security of the Asean region.

"The high level of trust among our navies is an important essence in facing maritime challenges," he added.

On threats to maritime shipping activity in the Sulu Sea,



Royal meet: Sultan Sharafuddin and Kamarulzaman (left) posing for a photograph with the Asean navy chiefs at Istana Alam Shah in Klang.

Kamarulzaman said that the navies of Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines have agreed to create a joint patrol group for the area.

"The Sulu Sea Patrol concept will be the same as the approach that we have used to maintain security in the Straits of Malacca.

"We want a stronger intelligence sharing network to ensure that all our joint operations will be more effective," he added.

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PM launches LRT project for Shah Alam and Klang

SHAH ALAM: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Abdul Razak yesterday launched the Light Rail Transit Line 3 (LRT3) project that will cover the western part of Klang Valley, including Shah Alam and Klang.

He said the project will be able to transport more passengers compared to other modes available in western Klang Valley at the rate of 36,720 passengers per direction per hour.

"I have to thank the Selangor government for letting the project's alignment to be approved here. Although we have differences in other issues, in upholding the people's interests, we must deliver," he said in his speech at Stadium Malawati here.

Also present were Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali, Prasarana group chairman Tan Sri Ismail Adam, Transport Minister Datuk

Seri Liow Tiong Lai and Urban Wellbeing, Housing and Local Government Minister Tan Sri Noh Omar.

LRT3 is a 36km-long line that will link Bandar Utama to Johan Setia in Klang, with 25 stations via elevated and underground train lines. The project is expected to be completed by Aug 31, 2020 and serve over two million people by 2025.

Prasarana Malaysia Bhd, the project owner of the RM9 billion project, plans to start construction by the first quarter of next year. The company owns and manages the current LRT line.

Najib also announced that starting from Malaysia Day (Sept 16) this year, commuters on the Rapid KL LRT and Monorail would be accorded a 50% discount between 6am and 7am. – by **Aiezat Fadzell**



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NO NEED TO STOP WORK

SHAH ALAM: The Selangor government has not issued a stop-work order to the East Klang Valley Expressway project after it reportedly caused an earth fissure at a kindergarten. Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Mohd Azmin Ali said there was no need to issue an order unless the developer had not complied with safety guidelines. "Elizabeth Wong (Selangor's executive councillor for tourism, environment, green technology and consumer affairs) has informed the Department of Environment and if they find any problem, we will take action," Azmin told reporters yesterday.

Khalid's suit on liquor sale in Selangor set for Nov 28

KUALA LUMPUR: The High Court has set five days from Nov 28 for the hearing of a defamation suit filed by Shah Alam member of parliament Khalid Abdul Samad against Datuk Dr Hassan Mohamed Ali relating to the issue of liquor sale, gambling centres and massage parlours in Selangor in 2013.

Judge Datuk Hue Siew Kheng fixed the date in chambers in the presence of counsel Muhammad Faiz Fadzil representing Khalid and counsel Elina Abdul Rashid acting on behalf of Hassan, a former commissioner of Selangor PAS.

Muhammad Faiz, when met by reporters, said the court set Nov 28 to Dec 2 for the trial.

On April 29, Khalid, who is currently a Parti Amanah Negara committee member, filed a suit claiming that Hassan, who was then a Selangor state government executive councillor, had used defamatory words in his talk at the Rukun Tetangga Hall in Section 17, Shah Alam, in 2013. — *Bernama*

New line to benefit 2m people

LRT3: Najib says addition will create public transport system that is efficient, sustainable

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THE third light rail transit (LRT3) line that will link Bandar Utama to Klang is set to benefit an estimated two million people by 2020, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak said.

He said LRT3 would have the capacity to transport 36,720 passengers per hour per direction and would generate 21 per cent Economic Internal Rate of Return upon its completion.

He said LRT3 would be able to transport more passengers compared with other modes of transport in the Western Corridor of the Klang Valley, besides enhancing the mobility and connectivity of people living in Greater Kuala Lumpur.

Speaking at the launch of LRT3 here yesterday, Najib said the entirety of LRT3's alignment would pass through an economically dynamic corridor across Selangor, with major commercial and industrial areas, as well as educational institutions for a large tertiary student population of more than 50,000.

Najib expressed confidence that with the addition of LRT3 under the Urban Rail Development Plan, it would create a public transport system that was competent, efficient, integrated and sustainable.

LRT3 would also simultaneously raise the socio-economic level in Malaysia and promote a better quality of life for the people, he said.

Present at the launch were Transport Minister Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai, Selangor Menteri Besar Datuk Seri Azmin Ali, Prasarana Malaysia Bhd group chairman Tan Sri Ismail Adam, Prasarana president and group chief executive officer (CEO) Datuk Azmi Abdul Aziz, MRT Corp Sdn Bhd CEO Datuk Seri Shahril Mokhtar, Malaysian Resources Corp Bhd (MRCB) group managing director Tan Sri Mohamad Salim Fateh Din and George Kent (M) Bhd chairman Tan Sri Tan Kay Hock.

A consortium of MRCB and George Kent is the project delivery partner (PDP) for LRT3.

Azmi told the *New Straits Times* that the spillover benefits from LRT3, in terms of job creation, would be ploughed back into the economy.

"Public transport is a driver of Malaysia's economic expansion. Once completed, LRT3 will stimulate economic growth along the corridor," he said, adding that the effect would also be felt elsewhere as five of the LRT3 stations would be integrated with existing and new transport networks.

They includes the mass rapid transit (MRT) Line 1 from Sungai Buloh to Kajang; Kelana Jaya LRT; the future Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) Federal Line; and KTM Komuter Port Klang Line.

The 37km LRT3 is the biggest project by development value to date for Prasarana. The construction cost has been capped at RM9 billion.

Construction work is scheduled to begin next year and is expected to be completed by Aug 31, 2020.

Prasarana has set aside RM1 billion to finance land acquisition for LRT3.

Azmi had previously said the RM9 billion cost excluded the RM1 billion for land acquisition matters.

Prasarana is buying land not only to build the LRT3 line and stations, but also to undertake transit-oriented development to boost ridership and ramp up its non-fare revenue.

The funds for LRT3 will be financed via the issuance of sukuk, of which the coupon rate will be decided later.

Prasarana appointed MRCB and George Kent as PDP for LRT3.

PDP will earn a management fee of six per cent, and has started work to get approvals and confirm the technical design characteristics.

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Prime Minister **Datuk Seri Najib Razak** looking at the LRT 3 model during its launch at Stadium Malawati, **Shah Alam**, yesterday. Present are (from right) Selangor Menteri Besar **Datuk Seri Azmin Ali**, Prasarana Malaysia Bhd group chairman **Tan Sri Ismail Adam**, Prasarana president and group chief executive officer **Datuk Azmi Abdul Aziz** and Transport Minister **Datuk Seri Liow Tiong Lai**. Pic by Khairull Azry Bidin

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'LRT3 a testament to govt's efforts to improve liveability'

SHAH ALAM: The construction of the light rail transit (LRT) system in the past was not an easy task to accomplish, Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak said.

He said when the LRT3 project was launched, many parties said it was a mammoth undertaking and would be impossible to achieve.

"But, we found that the railway network structure that we pictured could be achieved and realised.

"I hope it will be completed on schedule. I know it is a very tight timeline, but I believe our partners can deliver on time," he said at the launch of the project at Stadium Malawati here yesterday.

He also said the LRT3 construction must meet world-class construction and safety standards.

Najib said the project, which would provide convenience to commuters in Klang, Shah Alam and Petaling Jaya, should be of high quality and safety should not

be compromised.

"I understand that a new technology, known as 'U-Trough', will be used. It is an improvement over the conventional system currently being used in our country.

"This is expected to speed up the process and time frame, in terms of implementation," he said.

Najib said LRT3 was testament to the government's relentless efforts to improve liveability in Greater Kuala Lumpur and the Klang Valley by easing traffic congestion, providing better accessibility, and substantially improving and integrating urban public transport for the people.

He said LRT3, spanning 37km with 26 stations from Bandar Utama to Johan Setia, was set to benefit an estimated two million commuters upon its completion in 2020.

He said the population of Greater Kuala Lumpur and the Klang Valley was expected to grow to 10 million in 2020.

Construction is scheduled to begin early next year and is expected to be completed by Aug 31, 2020, at a capped cost of RM9 billion.

Najib also said he was excited to witness the successful results of transformation that had been planned carefully for the future of the nation.

"In 2010, when we started the National Transformation Programme, we set Urban Public Transport as a National Key Result Area.

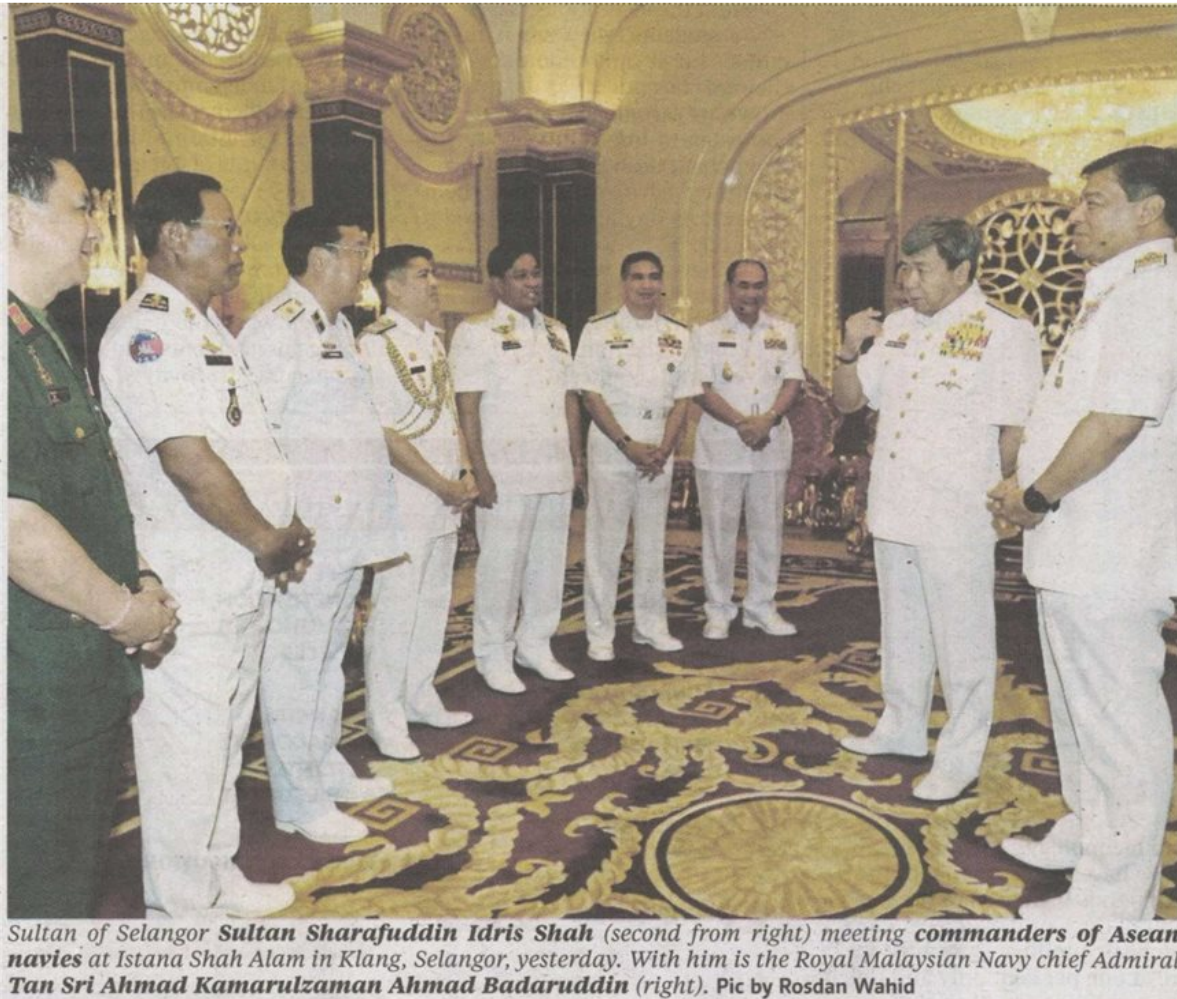
"We realise that this is an aspect that is very much in demand by the people because mobility and an integrated system can be a catalyst to generate the nation's economy," said Najib.

The prime minister thanked the Selangor government for its cooperation in the smooth implementation of the project, despite political differences.

"We should remember that the people always come first," he said.

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Sultan of Selangor **Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah** (second from right) meeting **commanders of Asean navies** at Istana Shah Alam in Klang, Selangor, yesterday. With him is the Royal Malaysian Navy chief Admiral **Tan Sri Ahmad Kamarulzaman Ahmad Badaruddin** (right). Pic by Rosdan Wahid

Ruler meets Asean navy chiefs

KLANG: The Sultan of Selangor Sultan Sharafuddin Idris Shah yesterday received a courtesy call from the top brass of eight Asean navies at Istana Alam Shah here.

They comprised the Navy chief of Brunei First Admiral Datuk Seri Pahlawan Norazmi Pengiran Muhammad, Cambodian Navy chief Admiral Tea Vinh, Myanmar Navy chief Admiral Ting Auns San, Philippine Navy chief Vice Admiral Ceasar C. Taccad and Vietnam navy chief Rear Admiral Pham Hoai Nam.

The Indonesian navy was represented by Vice-Admiral Arie Henrycus Sembiring, while Colonel

Keosouvanh Phangphilavong represented Laos, a landlocked country.

Commanders from the navies of Thailand and Singapore were not present.

Sultan Sharafuddin, who is also the Royal Malaysian Navy (RMN) captain-in-chief, spent about an hour discussing and exchanging opinions with them.

The courtesy call was in conjunction with the 10th Asean Navy Chiefs Meeting, which Malaysia is hosting from Monday to tomorrow.

RMN chief Admiral Tan Sri Ahmad Kamarulzaman Ahmad Badaruddin, when met by reporters

after the meeting, said Sultan Sharafuddin spoke about the history of Selangor and the history of RMN to the guests.

"Indirectly, it opens the eyes of the naval commanders to strengthen ties between Asean countries," he said.

Commenting on security issues in the Sulu Sea, he said Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines had agreed to implement the Sulu Sea Patrol (SSP) initiative in the area.

"SSP will adopt the Malacca Straits Patrol model to strengthen maritime security in the Sulu Sea," he said.

Bernama

Residents alarmed by fissures from EKVE project work

KUALA LUMPUR: The East Klang Valley Expressway (EKVE) project is worrying residents of Taman Kelab Ukay in Bukit Antarabangsa as fissures have appeared at a playground forcing 51 pre-schoolers to be evacuated.

A *New Straits Times* check yesterday found fissures measuring up to 20cm wide and stretching the entire length of the playground of Q-Dees kindergarten in Bukit Antarabangsa.

The cracks are believed to be the result of work being conducted to realign Sungai Sering to accommodate the EKVE project. The river is separated by a fence from the kindergarten.

Taman Kelab Ukay Residents Association committee member, Surender Singh, said the work had caused the safety of the children, as well as more than 200 residents in the immediate area, to be at risk.

"We are disappointed that the Ampang Jaya Municipal Council (MPAJ) did not inform us on the proposed development and how it will affect the soil condition around the area, and the purpose of the realignment of the river.

"The work has also not taken the condominiums on the hillslope facing Taman Kelab Ukay into account. Bukit Antarabangsa is known to be landslide prone.

"To proceed with the river alignment without a soil investigation study is like going in blindly and inviting an accident to occur," he said yesterday.

Surender said the move to realign the river to build the six-lane highway had caused ground movement near the river that shifted houses nearby by five metres.

"Having a river just five to six metres away from your house and without any soil investigation study being done, especially in areas like Bukit Antarabangsa, is really a cause for concern," he added.

Q-Dees Bukit Antarabangsa principal Josephine Fernandez said she decided to close the kindergarten on Monday after the grounds were deemed unsafe.

"We have received cooperation from the EKVE management to find

a temporary place for the preschool children in the neighbourhood.

"We hope we can find the place soon," she said.

EKVE senior general manager Mohd Khalid Mohamed in a statement recently gave his assurance that all safety measures related to the project were being reinforced to ensure no such incident happened in the future.

"We are working closely with the MPAJ, Malaysian Highway Authority and other authorities to ensure the safety of the area.

"We are also engaging independent experts to advise us and the authorities on the best solution to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the kindergarten and its users.

"As an immediate measure, the kindergarten will remain closed until all safety measures and inspections have been fully conducted."

The Rm1.55 billion EKVE is a 24.16km project linking Sungai Long in Kajang to Ukay Perdana in Ampang.

The road-widening segment of the project is expected to be completed next year, while the entire project is scheduled for completion in 2019.



The cracks at the Q-Dees kindergarten's playground area is believed to have been caused by construction work of the East Klang Valley Expressway project in Bukit Antarabangsa yesterday. Pic by Muhd Zaaba Zakeria

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讯)首相拿督斯
里纳吉宣布,今
年9月16日起,
每天清晨6时至
7时之间,乘搭
轻快铁(LRT)
和单轨火车
(Monorail)的
乘客,可享受50%
车费折扣,预计将有50万
民众受惠。

“我有信心,这项折扣计划
将有助舒缓轻快铁和单轨火车
的拥挤情况,相信许多搭客会
提早乘搭,以换取50%折扣的优
惠。”

促雪政府协助宣传

首相指出,他也要求雪州大
臣拿督斯里阿兹敏阿里和雪州
政府协助宣传,让更多公众知
悉这项优惠。

他说,中央政府与雪州政府
虽然在政治上持不同立场,但
在惠民计划上能共同合作,因
为政府贯彻以民为本的精神。

纳吉今日为轻快铁第3路线主
持推展,致词时这么指出。出
席者包括交通部长拿督斯里廖
中莱、城市和谐、房屋及地方

輕快鐵單軌火車916起

早搭的班車有半價

政府部长丹斯里诺奥马、雪州
大臣阿兹敏阿里、雪州高级行
政议员拿督邓章钦,以及国家
基建公司主席丹斯里依斯迈。

纳吉指出,耗资90亿令吉、
全长37公里和拥有26个车站的
轻快铁第3路线,将于2020年8
月31日建竣。

“轻快铁第3路线从雪州万达
镇衔接至莎阿南和巴生,能舒
缓大吉隆坡西部走廊和巴生谷
的交通,估计这项计划将有200
万人受惠。”

他说,预测大吉隆坡到2020
年时,人口将增长至1000万
人,因此必须要有更完善的公
共交通系统,解决交通拥挤问
题。

“根据陆路公共交通委员会
的调查显示,公共交通的客户
满意指数从2010年的48%,增至
2015年的74%。”



■纳吉(右2)参观轻快铁第3路线计划的模型,右4为廖中莱。

纳吉：耗资90亿 全长37公里

LRT3 明年初动工

(莎阿南 24 日讯) 首相拿督斯里纳吉宣布，第三期轻快铁 (LRT3) 工程将在明年初展开，预计会在 2020 年 8 月 31 日完成。

国家基建公司也为此计划的建筑成本设下 90 亿令吉顶限，但不包括征地所需付出的成本。

根据现场派发简介，LRT3 届时将使用 6 个车厢的列车，时速最高 80 公里，并每趟列车开出的时间差距最短为 2 分钟。

沿途设 26 车站

今日推介的第三期轻快铁 (LRT3) 工程仍是从万达镇至巴生，但是轨道全长 37 公里，而沿途设有 26 个车站。

其中有一个地下站，且有 5 个车站将会衔接其他的交通服务。

采“U-Trough”技术

首相说，国家基建公司在该项计划的工程当中也将采纳被称为“U-Trough”的技术，即让各种组件在其他地方组装，最终才送到工地装上。

他说，当我国迈向国际建筑标准的同时，也必须确保安全性和安全工作不能够妥协。

这项新的计划一旦落成，其乘客量也将超越巴生谷西面现有的其他交通服务，每小时单向载客量就多达 3 万 6720 人。



诺奥马 (左起)、廖中莱、阿兹米、纳吉、伊斯迈及阿兹敏观看第三期轻快铁 (LRT3) 工程路线图模型。

提高首都周遭可居住性

首相说，大吉隆坡或巴生谷人口在 2020 年将达到 1000 万人，因此必须要提高首都和周遭城市的可居住性。

他说，政府不竭力达到人们的需求，必须解决交通堵塞问题，提供更容易获得的公共交通系统及衔接各种不同的交通模式。

国家基建公司主席丹斯里伊斯迈阿当说，这项计划对于居住在八打灵再也、莎阿南及

巴生的居民将带来便利。

他在致辞时也感激联邦政府和雪州政府的合作，让这个计划能够落实。

轻快铁单轨车半价优惠

首相在致辞结束前也提宣布，从 9 月 16 日开始，使用 RapidKL 轻快铁和单轨火车的乘客，每天早上 6 时到 7 时都可以享有半价折扣优惠。

首相相信，这将能够缓解

高峰期的的人流量。

他也要求国家基建公司总执行长拿督阿兹米在迟些公布相关详情。

今日出席的嘉宾还有交通部长拿督斯里廖中莱、城市和谐、房屋及地方政府部长丹斯里诺奥马、雪州大臣拿督斯里阿兹敏、雪州高级行政议员拿督邓章钦及国家基建公司总执行长拿督阿兹米。此外，在路线展出期间，共接获 7300 人提出反馈，而其中超过九成民众对这个计划表示支持。

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议员涉辱元首案交武吉安曼调查

亚罗士打24日讯 | 吉打州警方将把巫统国会议员拿督纳华威被指涉嫌发表侮辱国家元首言论一事，交由武吉安曼警方全权调查。

吉打州总警长拿督占里耶亚今早到哥打士打县警区官访后召开新闻发布会表示，吉打州警方接获超过10宗针对此事的报案，吉打警方将把此案交由武吉安曼特别刑事调查组调查。

「纳华威本身也有去向警方报案，并声称本身的言论已被歪曲，因此，警方会调查纳华威的口供。」

不少民众报警

他表示，此案最先是浮罗交怡警方调查，不过了解到案件逐渐引起全国关注，不少民众也针对报警，因此，吉打警方决定将此案交由武吉安曼警方调查。

针对州内近日发生数宗匪徒利用巴冷刀专门抢劫女子的案件，占里耶亚指出，警方相信匪



占里耶亚（右2）颁发最佳表现奖予哥打士打县警区交警主任蔡尚林（左起），哥打士打县警区主任莫哈末罗兹及副主任罗哈娜陪同。

徒来自槟城，并已开始搜寻嫌犯身份，不过此案仍在调查中。

巫统浮罗交怡国会议员纳华威早前在面子书被指发表侮辱国家元首的言论。虽然纳华威已在浮罗交怡召开记者会公开向国家元首道歉，但吉打王室理事会仍

认为，纳华威仅通过媒体公开道歉「不算数」，应该亲自觐见陛下道歉。

纳华威回应本报询问时表示，他已致函王宫安排觐见陛下的时间，不过，王宫方面还未给予答复。（261）

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舒缓拥挤 6-7am搭快铁半价

莎阿南24日讯 | 首相拿督斯里纳吉宣布，从9月16日开始，早上6时至7时期间搭乘RapidKL轻快铁及单轨火车的乘客，可享有50%折扣。

他相信，这将鼓励更多乘客在非繁忙时间出门，以舒缓轻快铁及单轨火车人潮拥挤的问题。

纳吉今天在莎阿南美拉华蒂室内体育馆推介第三轻快铁干线时，做出上述宣布。

他指出，从雪州万达镇至巴生的第三轻快铁干线，全长达37公里，共设有26个站，竣工后预计可惠及约1000万名居住在巴生谷一带的民众。

他希望第三轻快铁干线能够在不超支的情况下，如期在2020年8月31日竣工。「虽然时间很紧凑，但我相信能如期完成。」

纳吉继指，国家基建公司将第三轻快铁干线计划中使用新的「U-Trough」技术，我国的建筑技术将取得很大进步。

他强调，除了为人民提供世界级的轻快铁质量，国家基建公司及其合作伙伴马资源乔治肯特



依斯迈（右2）通过第三轻快铁干线模型，向纳吉（中）讲解这条新干线的运作。左起为诺奥玛、廖中莱及阿兹敏阿里。

联营公司也必须确保第三轻快铁干线的安全。

交通服务。

感谢阿兹敏合作

他说，随著巴生谷一带居民预计将在2020年达到1000万人，政府积极改善城市的可居住性，包括解决交通阻塞以及整合公共

出席推介礼的还包括雪兰莪州务大臣拿督斯里阿兹敏阿里、交通部长拿督斯里廖中莱、城市和谐、房屋及地方政府部长丹斯里诺奥玛、雪州高级行政议员拿督邓章钦、国家基建公司丹斯里依斯迈阿当，以及总裁兼首席执行官拿督阿兹米阿都阿兹等。

纳吉也感谢阿兹敏阿里在这项计划上给予合作，他说，尽管联邦政府及雪州政府来自不同阵营，但还是秉持以人民利益为优先的宗旨。

另一方面，依斯迈阿当指出，第三轻快铁干线不仅对巴生谷居民带来便利，也刺激雪州及国家经济。（105）

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派10辆水槽车应急

吉隆坡24日讯 | 雪兰莪水供管理公司公关部总监阿敏林阿都拉表示，八打灵再也17区水管爆裂问题已经完成修复，并且于下午5时30分逐步恢复水源供应。

他是于今午接受《东方日报》访问时指出，雪州水供公司在接获水管爆裂投报后，已经立即展开修复工作，并分配10辆水槽车到当地，以应对制水的需求。

「针对灵市17区断水问题，我们已经展开修复行动。而在制水期间，也会派出10辆水槽车，为受制水影响的地区输送水源供应。」

他表示，整项水管修复工程已经在下午5时30分完成，受影响地区正逐步恢复水源供应。

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灵市2地区3500户断水

八打灵再也24日讯 | 疑因老旧水管承受不了路面重型车辆驶过的压力，导致输往灵市第17区及第16区的主要地下水管出现爆裂，经抢救后问题无法妥善解决，断水问题将继续困扰上述2个地区约3500户居民至明天！

「由于爆裂的是主要输水管，水压一般非常高，所以须停止水供才能维修。」

拉吉夫

据了解，其实雪州水供公司2天前已经开始采取抢修行动，但修好不久后又再溢漏，两度破裂漏水，导致断水问题进一步恶化；雪州水供公司已经紧急调派十多辆水槽车到受影响地区派水，减缓对民众带来的困扰。

民主行动党武吉加星州议员拉吉夫表示，昨天早上8时许，雪州水供公司收到民众投诉，指位于灵市17区的17/I路，临近17/22路交接路口的路段，路面溢出大量的自来水。

他说，雪州水供公司接获投报后，立即派员进行侦查，发现埋在地底下的水管破裂，必须更换新水管。

「由于爆裂的是当地的主要

输水管，水压一般都非常高，所以必须即刻停止水供才能进行维修工作。同时，基于清空水管的工作耗时，维修工作持续至今早凌晨3时许才完成。」

修复后再度漏水

「受影响的地区是今早约6时逐渐恢复水供，但约2个小时后，刚修复的水管再度漏水！」

拉吉夫指出，破裂的水管是525毫米的地下水管，由于同款尺寸的水管目前市场上缺货，因此，抢修小组只能用小一点的450毫米的水管取代，并使用特制的衔接口接驳。

他说，然而，新水管的衔接

口在修复后2个小时，竟然再度溢漏！

「由于必须进行第2次抢修工作，因此必须再次停止输送自来水，而居民也再次面对断水问题。」

拉吉夫是今午前往巡视水管维修工程进度时，如此表示。同时，他也表示，新的衔接口已在运送的途中，只要修复工程进展顺利，当地受影响居民最迟会在明早6时陆续恢复水供。

冀居民节省用水

「受影响的居民主要是来自灵市17区和16区，一共约3500户居民。」

另一方面，他表示，雪州水供公司会在今天傍晚再次排除水槽车，以解居民的燃眉之急。同时，希望受影响的居民能够在这段时间节省用水。

「今早已经安排了3辆水车到受影响的地区，包括排屋、组屋等，希望借此缓解居民缺水的问题。」

「同时，居民也可以通过雪州水供公司的面子书或下载应用程序，了解最新的情况。」

他表示，任何有需要派水的居民，除了可以联络雪州水供公司，也可联络其服务中心03-79547490。(408)



雪州水供公司安排水车，到受影响地区派水给民众使用。

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梳邦再也夜市执照开放申请

梳邦再也24日讯 | 梳

邦再也市议会主席拿督诺希山指出，市议会从本月起至9月30日，公开接受夜市小贩营业执照的申请。

他说，市议会于去年开始进行夜市小贩重组计划，当中有100名小贩被拒绝更新和申请执照，并且批出158张营业执照，给符合资格的小贩。

他指出，重组计划旨在让其他符合资格的小贩，有机会在夜市里摆档营业。

他说，有意申请者能到市议会索取表格，或直接登录 mps.gov.my 进行网上申请手续。

另外，诺希山指出，截至今年第33周，市议会管辖区内共发生了6769宗骨痛热症确诊病例，相比起去年同期的7660宗，共下降了891宗。

他说，迈入第33周，管辖区内的疫情热点分别在梳邦再也、金銮区、斯里沙登及史里肯邦安。

他表示，市议会卫生组正在计划与对个单位配合，包括警方、水利灌溉局及土地局，以组成一支特别行动队，展开更有效的灭蚊行动。(405)

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吉隆坡24日讯 | 士拉央市议员游佳豪表示，自从2年前士拉央市议会开始安插了一名廉正官员，负责监督官员的纪律，该官员成为控制和阻止地方政府官员滥权和贪腐的第一道防线。

「该名官员有权列席在市议会中所有的会议，包括有市议员参与的小组会议和仅市议会官员召开的管理层会议。」

当记者询问及如何投诉官员滥权时，他建议民众可以从两方面著手，即向反贪委会和地方政府的廉正官员投报，以便两造都拥有记录。(408)



游佳豪 民众可投报。

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地方政府稽查部门防滥权贪腐



报导

颜振信

吉隆坡24日讯 | 为杜绝官员滥权和贪腐的问题，隆雪各地方政府都设有内部的稽查部门和独立官员，负责审核及监督各个部门官员在执行任务时的态度和各项政府工程。

随著吉隆坡市政局执行总监拿督斯里赛阿芬迪被扣留以调查贪污案后，再度动摇民众对政府，在执行任务和公共工程的信任。

吉隆坡市政局谘询理事会成员黄孝儒接受《东方日报》电访时表示，市政局早已成立内部稽查小组，专门审核各项工程和官员上班的纪律，并直接向市长和联邦直辖区部长汇报。

「这个小组的职权是超过各个部门的总监，并监督各个部门官员在执行任务和公共工程中是



黄孝儒 ▶ 成立稽查小组。

依循标准作业程序(SOP)的。」
针对赛阿芬迪被卷入贪腐丑闻一事，黄孝儒仅表示一切必需等到反贪局的调查结果，事情才会明朗化。

设内部稽查制度

根据本报了解，赛阿芬迪所涉及的案件，并非是在升任成为隆市政局执行总监后所犯的案件，有关案件是他前几年在担任其他职务时所涉及。

赛阿芬迪是于今年接任吉隆



叶国荣 ▶ 可质问各级官员。

坡市政局执行总监一职，主要负责项目管理。他是一名会计师，从金融业出身。在未升任为执行总监时，他在市政局担任财政组主任。

此外，加影和梳邦再也市议会也同样拥有内部稽查制度，负责管制官员的操作和确保公共工程的透明度。

民众不愿意指证

梳邦再也市议员叶国荣表示，稽查小组的官员如果发现稽



黎潍昌 ▶ 完善的监督制度。

查报告有问题，他们有权质问各级官员，甚至是市议会主席。

另外，加影市议员黎潍昌表示，虽然地方政府拥有完善的监督制度，但往往在实施的时候却不那么顺利；尽管市议会经常接获民众投诉，但碍于缺乏证据，加上投诉的民众不愿意站出来指证，导致很多案件无法开档调查，影响了整体的廉正素质。

「由于民众都担心出来指证后，自身安全受到威胁，因此纷纷都选择退隐，让一些不法的官员趁机逃脱。」(408)

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吉隆坡24日讯 | 情人桥拆迁风波，瓜冷县议员黄锦伦澄清指，重建情人桥工程完工后，2间现有的海鲜餐馆也会原地重建，而非业者向媒体投诉指只兴建小贩摊位。

他说，在7月3日当天，他联合多位雪州各地方政府市议员，前往巡视情人桥的工程时，海洋海鲜餐馆业主代表李俊祥曾要求他们进入餐馆里，进一步讲解这项工程的详情。

他当时在另2位市议员、2位村长及丹村村委理事见证下，交出一份蓝图副本给海洋海鲜餐馆业主的另一名代表李丽欣，同时也向她解释重建2间餐馆的面积，每间是4200方尺，比现有餐馆的面积大一倍。

而且，重建地点也是位于情人桥旁边，他同时也向李丽欣讲解政府所建议的临时搬迁地点，并要求她们尽快搬迁，腾空地点让重建情人桥工程早日进行。

情人桥拆迁风波 2海鲜餐馆将原地重建

「瓜冷县议会官员已在7月1日，亲自移交通知信给情人桥海鲜餐馆和海洋海鲜餐馆业主，敦促业者到土地局申请暂时搬政府保留地继续营业。」

雪州政府承担费用

他强调，临时地点也非李丽欣所指的，是渔业发展地段。目前为止，根据土地局记录，2位业者还没有提出申请。

他表示，雪州行政议员欧阳捍华邀请2位业者，在7月29日到雪州政府大厦办公楼出席会议，商讨餐馆搬迁事宜，但2名业主却被马华领袖误导，拒绝出席，并向媒体透露错误的报导内容。

黄锦伦说，情人桥在2013年

6月25日突然坍塌，导致渔民码头遭殃，整个维修工程理应由中央政府渔业发展局（LKIM）负责，他们早在情人桥坍塌后3天致函当局，但拖了一年仍毫无进展。为了不影响渔民生计，雪州政府决定全力资助隶属中央政府管辖的水利灌溉局重建情人桥工程。

他指出，一旦重建情人桥工程竣工，水利灌溉局将把接下来的提升工程交给瓜冷县议会，县议会将耗资250万令吉，协助海洋海鲜餐馆和情人桥海鲜餐馆在原地兴建的新店营业，兴建费用由雪州政府承担。

「重建后的餐馆每单位占地4200方尺，比现有餐馆拥有更舒适和宽大的营业空间，希望2间餐馆业者接纳这份建议。」（400）