



## MEDIA RELEASE

# MRT SUNGAI BULOH – SERDANG – PUTRAJAYA LINE PROGRESSING AS SCHEDULED

**Kuala Lumpur, 31 March 2017:** Mass Rapid Transit Corporation Sdn Bhd (MRT Corp) has announced that the overall progress of the Klang Valley MRT Sungai Buloh – Serdang – Putrajaya (SSP) Line is now at 5.3%

Project Director for MRT SSP Line Dato' Amiruddin Ma'aris said the progress percentage was according to the line's construction schedule.

"To date, the construction is moving according to plan. Construction works have begun for both the Northern and Southern elevated alignment, Underground section of the alignment and the depot, and we have achieved considerable progress," said Amiruddin during a media briefing today.

The construction of the MRT SSP Line was officially launched by the Prime Minister on 15 September 2016 during a Ground Breaking Ceremony at the site of the future S37 Putrajaya Sentral MRT Station.

"This is quite an achievement as full construction work only began since September last year," said Amiruddin.

Among the works taking place currently for the Elevated sections were utilities relocation, site clearing, bored piling works, pile cap works, and pier column construction works.

"At this pace of progress, we should be able to start launching the segmental box girders (SBG) to construct the elevated guideway in the third quarter of 2017. This is a major milestone for us," he said.



For Underground Works, Amiruddin said work was progressing well with progress at 6%. He said among the works taking place currently were utility relocation, excavation for station boxes and shafts, and tunnel boring machine (TBM) refurbishment as well as manufacturing.

A total of 12 TBMs will be used to excavate the tunnels for the SSP Line's underground section. Of these, eight are refurbished machines which were used on the MRT Sungai Buloh-Kajang Line, while the remaining four are new TBMs.

Providing an update on the procurement status for the SSP Line, Amiruddin said of the 69 total tenders, 31 have been awarded, with a total value of RM30 billion. The balance of 38 tenders are for the construction of stations, depots, Multi-Storey Park and Rides (MSPR), designated contractors/suppliers and connectivity enhancement.

He pointed out that MRT Corp had just recently concluded the award for the final three viaduct work packages, which meant that all civil works packages for the construction of both the elevated and underground sections of the SSP Line alignment had been awarded.

"We now have all the contractors on board to construct the entire alignment from north to south," he said.

With the progress made to date, Amiruddin is positive that Phase One of the MRT SSP Line between Kwasa Damansara to the Kampung Batu MRT Station will be operational by July 2021, while the entire line to be fully operational by July 2022.

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