

## **MEDIA STATEMENT**

## KL-SG HSR ALIGNMENT AIMS TO CAPTURE BEST CATCHMENT AREAS ALONG SOUTHERN CORRIDOR

On-going engagements with State Governments and relevant authorities to determine best locations for HSR stations in Malaysia

**Kuala Lumpur, 18 August 2016** – Following the conclusion of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Government of Malaysia and the Government of the Republic of the Singapore on the Kuala Lumpur – Singapore High Speed Rail (KL-SG HSR) project on 19 July 2016, MyHSR Corporation Sdn Bhd (MyHSR Corp) is currently working with the State Governments to freeze land areas under Section 4 of Land Acquisition Act (LAA) 1960.

MyHSR Corp Chief Executive Officer Mohd Nur Ismal Mohamed Kamal said, "We want to address growing speculations regarding the locations of the stations as based on the current progress, the alignment and station locations (including the stations' names) are yet to be finalized, except the location of HSR Terminus in Kuala Lumpur (Bandar Malaysia)."

"The process of freezing land areas will allow the project to start technical studies including assessing soil condition, social impact and other technical parameters before a smaller corridor is identified. The outcome of the studies will be presented through consultations with State Authorities as described under Section 20A of Town and Country Planning Act 1976," said Mohd Nur Ismal.

The engagements and studies will be conducted to determine the best locations for HSR stations and capture the strategic catchment areas in order to be connected with other public transport modes to help create a more integrated and efficient transportation network. Improving on the accessibility and mobility between the urban and suburban areas and saving on travel time are key factors towards this front.

Mohd Nur Ismal added, "We will continue to work closely with the federal and relevant state governments and authorities to determine the best locations of the stations along the corridor. We want to ensure this iconic and game changing project truly benefits the country and the people."



Through studies to determine the station locations, the KL-SG HSR seeks to encourage socioeconomic development along the HSR corridor of the nation, in economic clusters centred around each station. This is in line with the transformation of the nation as it links two urban agglomerations to meet growing demand, catalysing economic growth and enhancing longterm economic competitiveness while improving the quality of life of the *rakyat*.

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## **About MyHSR Corporation**

MyHSR Corporation is a company incorporated in 2015, wholly owned by the Minister of Finance Incorporated. As the project delivery vehicle for the KL-SG HSR project, MyHSR Corporation is responsible for the development and implementation of the project.

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