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# **KL-SG HSR PROJECT COMPLETES 3-MONTH PUBLIC INSPECTION EXERCISE**

**KUALA LUMPUR, 8 February 2018 –** The Kuala Lumpur-Singapore High Speed Rail (KL-SG HSR) project successfully completed its compulsory 3-month Public Inspection exercise and received more than 35,000 responses, the highest number of public feedback among rail-based public transportation projects in Malaysia.

The Public Inspection exercise that ended on 31 January 2018, provided the public with the opportunity to view information about the KL-SG HSR project such as the planned alignment, locations of the seven Malaysian HSR stations, typical station features and layout, land acquisition plans, railway technical data and the Socio-economic Development Programme (SEDP) at the booths. Over 130 booths were set up at key locations along the alignment between Kuala Lumpur and Iskandar Puteri.

Approximately 95 percent of public feedback received from visitors and survey respondents were supportive of the KL-SG HSR project, with an overwhelming 98 percent of positive response received from Kuala Lumpur and Johor. Most of the total respondents were represented by the 21-40 age group.

Key areas of interest listed by visitors were the potential benefits brought about by the project in terms of ease of travel and economic development, land acquisition process, station locations and alignment, and environmental mitigation measures to be employed by the project.

"We are encouraged by the strong support for the KL-SG HSR project garnered from the Public Inspection exercise. The Public Inspection booths were designed to introduce the project in further detail to the public. By locating them in high-traffic areas, our team on site were able to gather pertinent insights on how to further improve the project. It is also our goal to continuously engage the public from time to time to share updates on the project," said Dato' Mohd Nur Ismal Mohamed Kamal, CEO of MyHSR Corp.

The KL-SG HSR's Environmental Impact study was also showcased at the Public Inspection booths for its one-month compulsory display from 27 December 2017 to 25 January 2018. This study is available for review and feedback on MyHSR Corp's website until 9 February 2018.

#### About the Kuala Lumpur-Singapore High Speed Rail

The KL-SG HSR is a strategic project between the Governments of Malaysia and Singapore that aims to facilitate seamless travel between Kuala Lumpur and Singapore, enhance business linkages and bring the peoples of both countries closer together. The iconic project includes domestic services within Malaysia that will improve intercity connectivity and promote economic agglomeration under the Socio-economic Development Programme (SEDP) intended to benefit local communities along the corridor.

The Governments of both countries signed a Bilateral Agreement on 13 December 2016, which captured the key points of agreement on the project, including the technical parameters, commercial model, customs, immigration and quarantine clearance, safety and security matters, regulatory structure and project management approach.

Eight stations are currently planned for the Kuala Lumpur–Singapore HSR: Bandar Malaysia, Sepang-Putrajaya, Seremban, Melaka, Muar, Batu Pahat and Iskandar Puteri stations in Malaysia and the Jurong East station in Singapore, with operations of the KL-SG HSR service between Kuala Lumpur and Singapore targeted for commencement by 31 December 2026.

### **About MyHSR Corporation**

MyHSR Corp is a company incorporated in 2015, wholly owned by the Minister of Finance Incorporated. As the Government of Malaysia's project delivery vehicle for the KL-SG HSR project, MyHSR Corp is responsible for the development and implementation of the project. For more information, please visit <u>www.myhsr.com.my</u>.

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