

IJM, AZRB lead contractors for MRT works

KUALALUMPUR: MRT Corporation has awarded two significant construction packages worth RM1.74 billion for the Sungai Buloh-Kajang My Rapid Transit (MRT) line to IJM Corp Bhd and Ahmad Zaki Resources Bhd (AZRB).

MRT Corp said in a statement that IJM Corp's subsidiary IJM Construction Sdn Bhd will be appointed the main contractor for Package V5 which will cover the construction and completion of the Viaduct Guideway and other associated works from Maluri Portal to Plaza Phoenix Station worth RM974 million.

AZRB's subsidiary Ahmad Zaki Sdn Bhd will be appointed the main contractor for Package V6 which covers the construction and completion of the Viaduct Guideway and other associated works from Plaza Phoenix to Bandar Tun Hussein Onn Station with a contract value of RM764 million, it said.

Both awards are subject to the successful tenderers accepting the Letter of Award to be issued by MRT Corp in due course.

"After stringent and comprehensive evaluation by the One Stop Procurement Committee chaired by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak, MRT Corp is pleased to announce this award to IJM Construction and Ahmad Zaki. Both companies are helmed by experienced management teams and have solid track records of delivering projects on time and within costs," said the chief executive officer of MRT Corp, Datuk Azhar Abdul Hamid.

"We are confident that with these significant contract awards, the MRT project implementation will gain momentum and continue to provide positive benefits to the economy," he said.

He said MRT Corp will ramp up its efforts to publicly announce the tender and award schedule for the various work packages and encourage all qualified contractors to participate.

"It is our intention that all works packages be subject to competitive bidding. All bidders will have equal opportunity in the tender process and the winning bids will be strictly based on merit," he added. **Bernama**



Datuk Azhar Abdul Hamid says firms have experienced teams and good track records