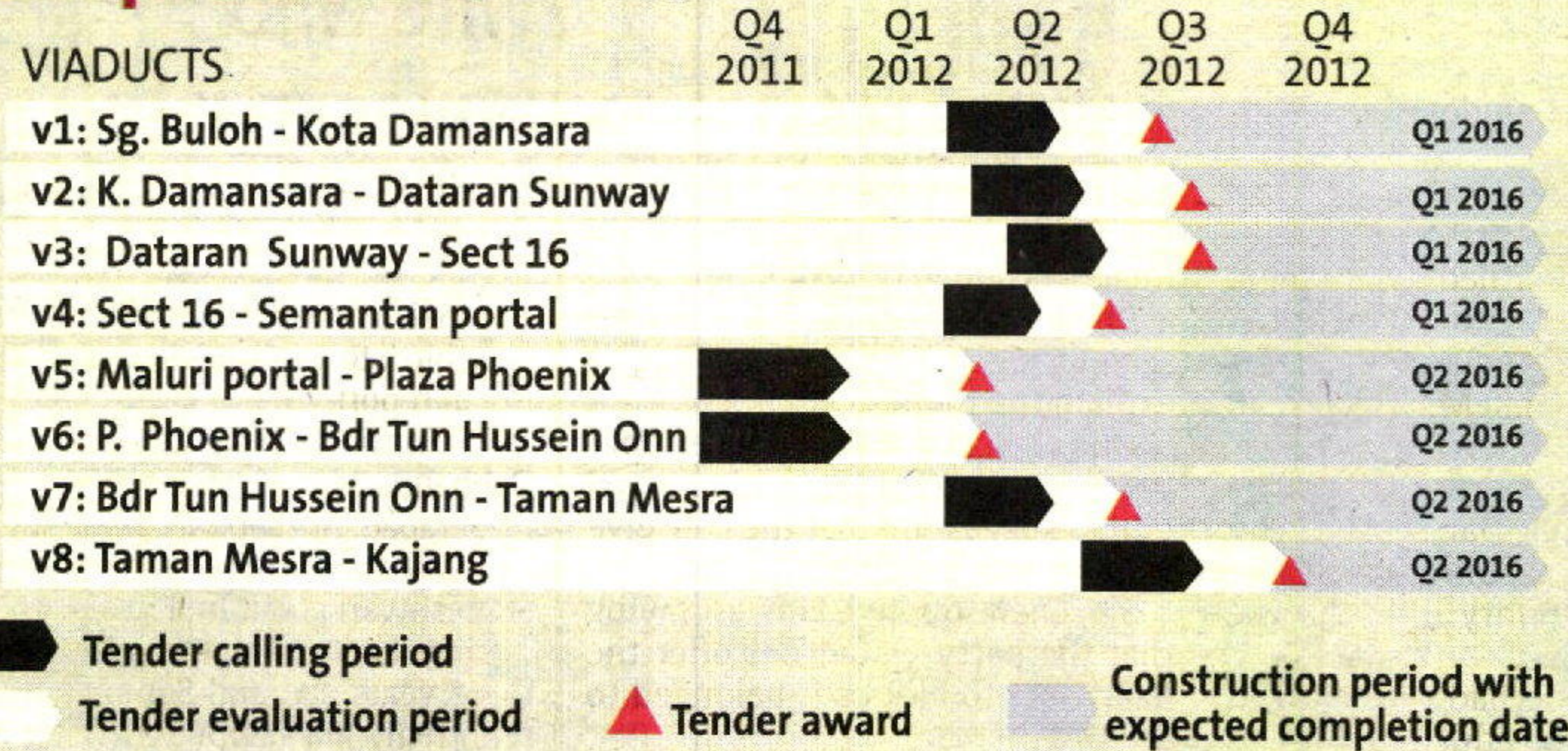


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MRT Co discloses detailed contracts list

PETALING JAYA: Mass Rapid Transit Corp (MRT Co) has issued the much-awaited detailed list of packages for the construction of the Sungai Buloh-Kajang line, including when the tenders will be opened, the evaluation and award periods as well as the estimated completion time of the said projects.

The list, containing more than 80 work packages, also details the particular packages that are meant for bumiputra contractors and those are open to all contractors.

MRT Co CEO Datuk Azhar Abdul Hamid has stated in the past that the rationale for providing this list was to ensure a level of transparency and openness.

In yesterday's press release, MRT Co said

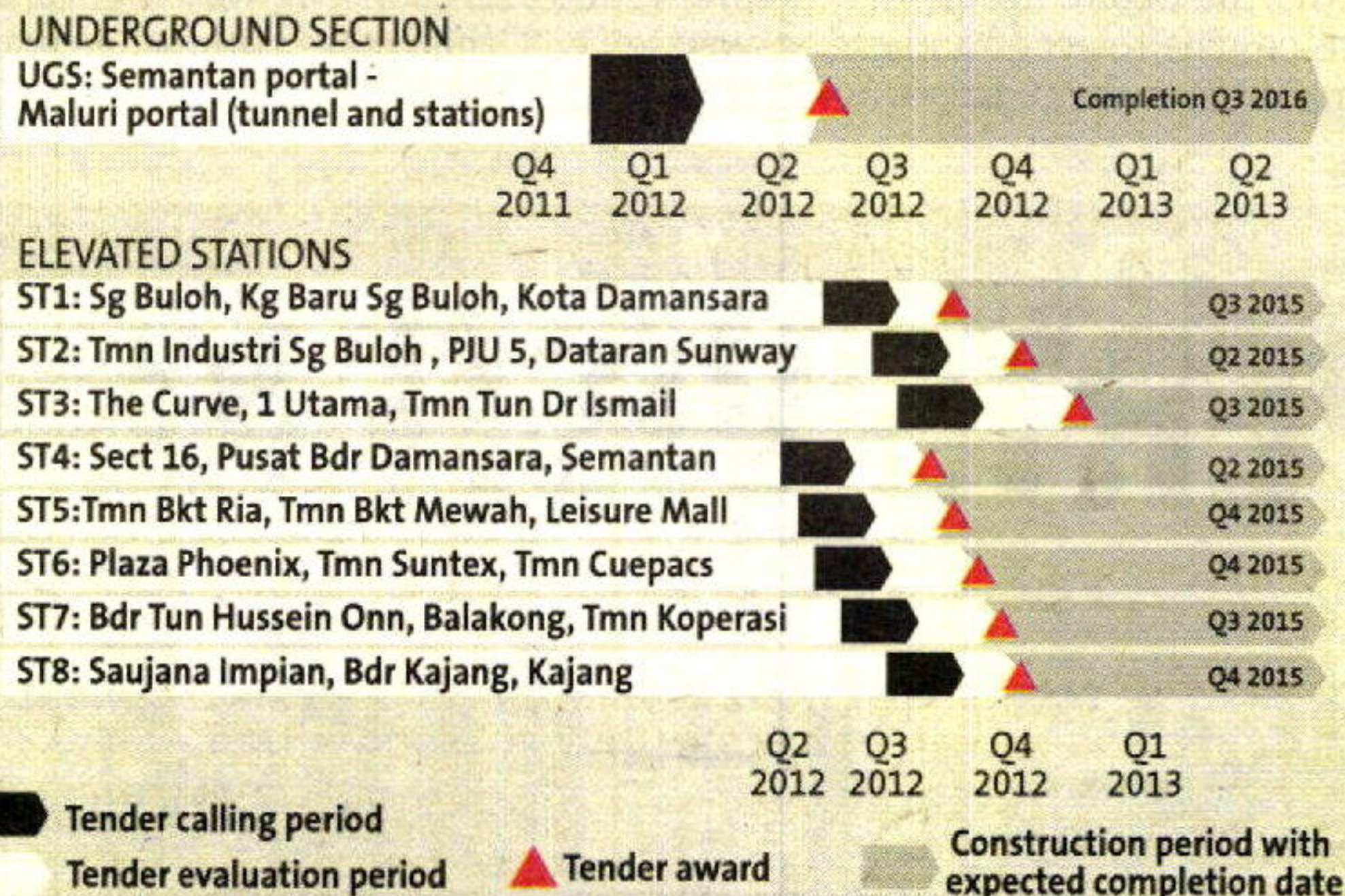
it was confident that the construction work packages for the Sungai Buloh-Kajang line would provide a boost to earnings to the construction sector in 2012. It added that there were still over 80 work packages up for tender, from the total of 90.

"MRT Co is optimistic that as the My Rapid Transit (MRT) project moves from the initial planning to implementation stage, the construction sector will benefit from the various opportunities available in ground works, mechanical and electrical, ICT systems, viaducts, stations and many others," said Azhar in the press release.

"Our aim is to raise awareness and interest in the amount of work available in the

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MRT project, and to engage the contractors in the best possible manner to share the project's work progress. Let me state unequivocally that MRT Co would like all qualified contractors, especially bumiputra contractors, to take part in the transparent and open tender process to bid for the many work packages that are being made available.

"MRT Co also said that based on infrastructure projects of this type and magnitude, the Government estimates the construction multiplier impact will be in the region of 2.5 times, which translates to approxi-

mately RM213bil flowing into the economy till 2020. It said that this is based on the impact of money going into the economy from the construction of the three MRT lines, the stations and the rolling stock.

"By publicly announcing the tender and award schedule for the various work packages, MRT Co believes it will dispel any perceptions that the call and award of tenders are being conducted under a veil of secrecy. Let it not be said that we have not reached out and made information available for the benefit of these contractors, especially bumiputra companies. It is our intention that all works packages

will be subject to competitive bidding. All bidders will be given the same project information and evaluated on the same basis, i.e. technical, track record and financial terms."

The value of construction work for the MRT project to be allocated on merit to bumiputra contractors, was 43%. "I would like to strongly encourage all contractors to prepare their bids for timely submission.

"Rest assured, we will closely scrutinise all costs and delivery of this crucial national infrastructure project for the benefit of the Malaysian public. Any feedback can be emailed to feedback@kvmrt.com.my," said Azhar.