

# Another 'yes' for MRT

## Jalan Sultan landowner signs agreement for development

**PETALING JAYA:** Six lots of land in Jalan Sultan, Kuala Lumpur, have been signed over for the development of the My Rapid Transit (MRT) project.

MRT Corporation (MRT Corp) signed the Points of Agreement (POA) with the owner of the lots, including a budget hotel, on Thursday.

"We are grateful for the owner's trust in MRT Corp and his response to our offer to resolve all land issues with the MRT project.

"The POA signing is the first step towards establishing mutual agreement as we move forward with the

implementation of the country's largest public infrastructure project, which will benefit the rakyat at large," said MRT Corp CEO Datuk Azhar Abdul Hamid in a statement yesterday.

He commended the owner of the lots, whom he said had requested not to be named, for his cooperation, describing the POA signing as significant in getting the MRT project up and running.

He said the POA detailed the withdrawal of land acquisition upon signing of the mutual agreement, the guarantee that existing build-

ings will not be demolished, the relocation of occupants of those buildings for a maximum of six months during tunnelling and having land titles endorsed with a statement to recognise the tunnel beneath these properties.

He added that fair compensation will be paid to those affected for any inconvenience caused or loss of profit during the tunnelling period.

"This latest development reflects the willingness of the owner to work together for the benefit of the rakyat who are waiting anxiously for an integrated, reliable and effi-

cient public transportation network in Greater KL," he said.

MRT Corp recently signed a POA with Bungsar Hill Holdings Sdn Bhd which owns several lots of land, including the car park in front of Help University in Pusat Bandar Damansara for the construction of the Pusat Bandaraya Damansara MRT station's ticketing area and park and ride facilities.

In November last year, MRT Corp also signed a POA with the owners of 21 lots of land on Jalan Inai which will be impacted by the MRT project.