

MRT work plan to ease traffic flow

KUALA LUMPUR: Mass Rapid Transit Corporation (MRT Corp) has devised a traffic management plan to ensure minimal traffic disruption at the worksites of the My Rapid Transit (MRT) project under construction.

MRT Corp strategic communication and public relations director Amir Mahmood Razak said yesterday that the plan, managed by traffic experts based on government guidelines, was designed to allow motorists and pedestrians to pass the worksites safely.

The plan would address three main public convenience concerns, namely traffic congestion easing measures, public information on the road diversions and closures, and motorist and pedestrian safety measures.

"There will be no lane closure in high traffic situations.

"We will only close the lane at midnight when traffic is low," he told a media briefing on the plan at the MRT Information Centre, Taman Tun Dr Ismail, here, yesterday.

The 51km Sungai Buloh-Kajang

MRT project, when ready in 2016, will have 31 stations and will serve 1.2 million commuters.

Amir said MRT Corp would disseminate information via the media and their own channels up to four weeks prior to the start of construction on any of the MRT packages.

There are eight elevated and one underground packages in the MRT project.

"This gives early information so that motorists can use alternative roads," he said, adding that the plan would be run individually by the

contractors but managed by MRT Corp.

"We will put one Emergency Response Team in each package to respond to any unforeseen incident."

The public can learn more about the plan by visiting the MRT website at www.kvmrt.com.my, twitter @MRTMalaysia or calling the MRT Hotline 1-800-82-6868.

They can also visit the MRT information centres located at Kota Damansara, Taman Tun Dr Ismail, KL Sentral, Kajang and Bandar Tun Hussein Onn. **Bernama**