

MRT Line 2 approved by year-end

APPROVAL for the Mass Rapid Transit (MRT) Line 2 project is expected to be out by the end of this year, subject to government approval, said MRT Corp chief executive officer Datuk Azhar Abdul Hamid.

The MRT Line 2 or Sungai Buloh-Serdang-Putrajaya Line MRT SBS, is the Mass Rapid Transit line for the Klang Valley MRT to Port Klang, and it is now planned to be from Sungai Buloh, Selayang, to Pandan, instead of from Kuala Lumpur to

Port Klang.

"The Land Public Transport Commission (SPAD) has carried out a study on Line 2 to finalise the alignment and they have submitted it to the government," Azhar said.

"So I suppose when the time comes, they will disclose it to the public."

He said the the alignment was agreed by consensus.

Line 1 is mostly elevated except for a 9.5km underground portion running through the city centre from Semantan in Jalan Duta to

Maluri in Cheras.

"It is very important that the MRT project continues because it will certainly benefit the public as well as ensure that Kuala Lumpur is free from congestion," he said.

It was reported earlier that SPAD was also carrying out a study on Line 3 to finalise the alignment.

However, it had not been decided whether Line 2 and Line 3 would be implemented simultaneously or one after the other.— Bernama