



MEDIA RELEASE

CLOSURE AT JALAN BUKIT BINTANG (12.00 AM UPDATE)

Kuala Lumpur, 26 April 2014: Mass Rapid Transit Corporation Sdn Bhd (MRT Corp) wishes to provide an update on an incident at Jalan Bukit Bintang.

A new sinkhole has appeared at Jalan Bukit Bintang, at the right-most lane of the Pavilion-bound side of the road opposite Menara Worldwide. The sinkhole was detected at 9.35pm.

A car driving along the road had its left front wheel lodged in sinkhole. The Emergency Rescue Team from MRT Project Underground Works Contractor MMC Gamuda KVMRT (T) Sdn Bhd (MGKT) immediately lifted and towed away the vehicle. The driver, who was the only occupant of the car, was not hurt during the incident and MGKT made arrangements to send him to his destination.

The area was immediately cordoned off. Backfilling of the sinkhole and debris cleaning work began at 11.30pm.

The Police and Malaysian Fire Services personnel are currently on site to provide assistance.

MGKT is also continuously monitoring the ground and buildings in the area for any signs of movement.

Traffic Diversion

In view of the latest development, the stretch of Jalan Bukit Bintang (Jalan Tun Razak-bound) between Chulan Square and the Jalan Tun Razak intersection is now closed to all traffic. In addition, the two right-most lanes of Jalan Bukit Bintang (Pavilion-bound) are also closed.

A traffic contra-flow is being implemented, whereby traffic from Bukit Bintang heading to Jalan Tun Razak will be directed onto the two remaining lanes of Jalan Bukit Bintang (Pavilion-bound). As a result, all traffic from Jalan Tun Razak heading to the Bukit Bintang area will not be allowed to enter Jalan Bukit Bintang and are being redirected to Jalan Eaton where they can rejoin Jalan Bukit Bintang via Jalan Conlay.

Several roads in the Bukit Bintang area are closed in conjunction with the visit of the President of the United States, Mr Barack Obama. This may affect some of the alternative routes which MRT Corp had earlier suggested for motorists to avoid the closed section of Jalan Bukit Bintang.

Motorists are urged to follow road signs and heed instructions from traffic police who have been deployed to manage traffic flow.

MRT Corp apologises for the inconvenience caused and will provide further updates on the situation and when the road will be reopened.



For more information the public can visit the MRT website at www.mymrt.com.my or www.mymrt-underground.com.my, Twitter @MRTMalaysia or @MyMRT Underground, Facebook @MRTMalaysia or call the MRT Hotline at 1-800-82-6868.

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