

**MEDIA STATEMENT
CLARIFICATION ON FLOODING ALONG BATU 5 ½, JALAN CHERAS
4 MARCH 2015**

Kuala Lumpur, 4 March 2015 – At 4.20pm today, the Batu 5 ½ area experienced heavy rain which lead to water levels rising quickly at the flood prone area of Jalan Cheras (KL & Kajang-bound) between the stretch of Leisure Mall and Bulatan Billion (Billion Roundabout).

MMC-Gamuda KVMRT (PDP) Sdn Bhd would like to clarify that the flood was not due to the KVMRT project. The drainage outlets within the KVMRT worksite are continuously well-maintained. The current construction activities at KVMRT Batu 5 ½ worksite are above-ground such as station construction and launching of Segmented Box Girders (SBGs) for the elevated viaducts. There are no longer any earthworks related to the MRT Project at that location.

Preliminary investigation shows that the potential cause of the flash flood could be the backflow of water from Sungai Kerayong onto Jalan Cheras, which is a flood-proned area. Other possible causes include additional surface runoff from earth works from neighbouring developments that are currently being constructed at Jalan Cheras.

Police arrived at the flood location at approximately 5pm to manage the traffic with the assistance of KVMRT traffic controllers and Emergency Response Teams (ERT). The flood levels receded at 5.30pm. Traffic was back to normal at 6pm.

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