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Bumiputera contractors get RM11m MRT jobs

KUALA LUMPUR: Mass Rapid Transit Corp Sdn Bhd (MRT Corp) has awarded another 27 contracts worth RM11 million to Bumiputera contractors via balloting.

In a statement yesterday, MRT Corp said these contracts were awarded to Bumiputera contractors handling the construction of the Sungai Buloh-Kajang Line.

They were selected from a pool of 257 Bumiputera contractors present at the balloting session.

Contractors under Grade G1 are eligible for jobs up to RM200,000 while those in Grade G2 are eligible for contracts between RM200,001 and RM500,000.

Grade G3 contractors are eligible for contracts between RM500,001 and RM1 million while those in Grade G4 are eligible for contracts between RM1 million and RM3 million.

The grades are determined by the Construction Industry Develop-



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MRT Corp chief executive officer Datuk Seri Shahril Mokhtar said the MRT project had awarded 48 per cent of the value of contracts to Bumiputera contractors, surpassing the 43 per cent target set by the

government.

"We have awarded 145 contracts worth RM95 million so far to Bumiputera contractors from Grades G1 to G4. We have another 105 contracts worth RM105 million to roll out."

He said the project's Bumiputera agenda was extended to fresh graduates who took part in its entrepreneurship programme.