

Fares for new MRT line from RM1

KUALA LUMPUR — The fare for MRT Sungai Buloh-Kajang service starts at RM1 for a single stop to a maximum of RM6.40 for the full distance, Rapid Rail Sdn Bhd announced yesterday.

The nominal fare of RM1 for a single stop is based on the cashless fare structure, while the lowest single stop fare on the cash fare structure is RM1.10 between Pasar Seni and Merdeka stations.

For the full distance across 31 stations, the maximum cashless fare is RM5.50 and for cash fare, RM6.40.

Phase 1 of the service is expected to be operational from Dec 16, covering 12 stations between Sungai Buloh and Semantan.

Phase 2, covering the remaining 19

stations between Semantan and Kajang, is scheduled for operations next July.

Rapid Rail chief executive officer Datuk Zohari Sulaiman said in a statement the fare structure was approved by the government and based on the nominal flag fall and cascading rates for every four to five kilometres travelled.

He said this was similar with the fare structure of the LRT and monorail services operated by Rapid Rail, a subsidiary of Prasarana Malaysia Berhad.

Full details on the MRT fare structure is available at Rapid KL's website at www.myrapid.com.my.

"Similar to the practice in the Rapid KL LRT, monorail, and bus services, we extend 50 per cent discount on the cash

fare to senior citizens, students and people with disabilities who travel on the MRT and the MRT feeder bus services. Children below seven travel for free," said Zohari.

As Phase 1 of the service would operate independently without integration with existing LRT and monorail lines, Zohari said MRT commuters would pass through the automated fare collection gates using cash tokens or Touch n' Go cards only.

"Senior citizens, students, and the disabled may purchase the red-coloured concession tokens from the Customer Service Office at MRT stations," Zohari said.

He said senior citizens, students, and the disabled only need to show their myKad,

student card (if not in uniform), or OKU card when boarding the MRT feeder buses to enjoy the 50 per cent discount.

"The nominal fare for the MRT feeder bus services is set at RM1 per trip," said Zohari, adding 120 MRT feeder buses covering 26 routes would be deployed to cover all 12 MRT stations opened under Phase 1.

Zohari said MyRapid cards, used in Rapid KL LRT, monorail and bus services, would be upgraded in phases prior to the opening of Phase 2.

"We will update our customers progressively over the coming months," said Zohari, saying final preparations were being made for the first 12 stations to be opened by middle of next month.