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MEDIA RELEASE

PRIME MINISTER VISITS KLANG VALLEY MRT PROJECT'S SUNGAI BULOH DEPOT

Kuala Lumpur, 11 November 2015: Prime Minister Dato' Sri Najib Tun Razak today visited the Mass Rapid Transit Corporation Sdn Bhd (MRT Corp) depot located in Sungai Buloh.

The visit was part of his continuous support towards the Klang Valley MRT Project in ensuring that it is progressing on schedule for it to be fully operational in July 2017.

This is Najib's first visit to the Sungai Buloh Depot. The visit is however his fourth to the Project since its commencement. He had previously visited the Cochrane Launch Shaft twice and the Tun Razak Exchange Station.

The MRT Depot Sungai Buloh will be the biggest train depot in Southeast Asia once construction is complete. It measures approximately 2km long and 0.5km wide. It will serve both the MRT Sungai Buloh-Kajang Line (SBK Line) and MRT Sungai Buloh-Serdang-Putrajaya Line (SSP Line).

At hand to greet the Prime Minister at the depot were MRT Corp Chairman Tan Sri Dr Ali Hamsa, who is also the Chief Secretary to the Government; MRT Corp Chief Executive Officer Dato' Sri Shahril Mokhtar; MRT Corp Board of Director and Senior Management.

Also present were representatives from the Project Delivery Partner, MMC Gamuda KVMRT (PDP) Sdn Bhd; and the Project's Work Package Contractors for Electric Trains Siemens and SMH Rail Sdn Bhd.

During the visit, the Prime Minister was brought to Rolling Stock Maintenance Workshop where he was shown the MRT trains that have been fully assembled and were undergoing testing.

A total of 58 trains will operate along the SBK Line, allowing a frequency of one train every 3.5 minutes during peak hours. Each train, which is driverless, is made of four cars. Each train has a total capacity of 1,200 passengers.

The trains, which are supplied by Siemens of Germany, is completely assembled in Malaysia by SMH Rail Sdn Bhd in its plant in Rasa, Hulu Selangor. It is the first train to be fully assembled in Malaysia.

Throughout the visit, he was briefed by MRT Corp SBK Line Project Director Mr Marcus Karakashian.

Shahril meanwhile expressed confidence that the trains, which will be the main touch point between MRT Corp and commuters, will give users a good experience in commuting.

"Our modern trains will be clean, comfortable, reliable and safe. We hope this will encourage the public to leave their cars at home and use public transport when going into the city," he said.

As at 30 September 2015, the SBK Line's overall completion was at 72.25%. Progress for Elevated Works was at 64.57% while Underground Works at 81.76%.

Operations for the first phase for the SBK Line between Sungai Buloh and Semantan Stations is expected to commence in December 2016. Operations for the second phase, comprising the remainder of the line from Semantan to Kajang Stations is expected to commence in July 2017.

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FACT SHEET

TRAINS FOR MRT SUNGAI BULOH-KAJANG LINE

THE MRT Sungai Buloh-Kajang Line will have a total of 58 trains operating along its route. Each train will have four cars. Each train can carry 1,200 passengers.

The trains are being supplied by Siemens of Germany, and fully assembled by Malaysian contractor SMH Rail Sdn Bhd.

When operations begin at the end of 2016, the trains will run at a frequency of one train in every 3.5 minutes.

DESIGN

The design of the train is called "The Guiding Light". Designed by DesignworksUSA, a subsidiary of the BMW Group, the design of the train was built on the cultural influences of Malaysia. Inspired by the power and beauty of Malaysia, the train's iconic features have strong relations to the symbolic architecture of Kuala Lumpur.

FEATURES OF THE TRAIN:

- **Driverless**
  The trains are fully automated, driverless and conductorless. Controlled from the Operations Control Centre at the Sungai Buloh Depot, the trains have a state-of-the-art train automation system to ensure good reliability and high availability during operations.

- **Better Passenger Flow**
  Spacious gangways between the train cars enable unrestricted passenger movement while large, automated sliding doors offer quick and easy entry and exit.

- **Environmentally Friendly**
  The train is lightweight. It is built with sustainable materials and has highly efficient air conditioning and lighting systems to reduce energy consumption.

- **Enhanced Safety and Security**
  The trains meet the international standards for fire protection. It has live surveillance inside and outside the train. Each car has 4 emergency intercoms with integrated cameras.

- **Passenger Information System**
  Train destinations are clearly visible on the exterior of the train. Inside each car are dynamic maps above doors and LED screen displays above windows that give real time information about the train.

- **First locally assembled train**
  The train is the first to be fully assembled in Malaysia by a Malaysian contractor, SMH Rail Sdn Bhd. The train assembly plant is located in Rasa, Hulu Selangor. It also has many Malaysian-made components, such as the chairs, cabling and LED lighting.