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2.	<u>SC umum ahli baharu MVCDC</u>	Berita Harian	Klik pada tajuk berita dan Rujuk lampiran 2
3.	<u>NEW APPOINTMENTS TO THE MALAYSIAN VENTURE CAPITAL AND PRIVATE EQUITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL</u>	Digital News Asia	Klik pada tajuk berita
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9.	<u>LRT Pulau Pinang bermula tahun hadapan</u>	Sinar Harian	Klik pada tajuk berita

10.	<u>Pembangunan bukan lesen musnahkan alam - Sultan Nazrin</u>	Malaysiakini	Klik pada tajuk berita
11.	<u>Penerokaan tanah haram harus ditangani tanpa kompromi</u>	Sinar Harian	Klik pada tajuk berita
12.	<u>More deals from China following ECRL renegotiation — MITI</u>	The Edge Markets	Klik pada tajuk berita
13.	<u>IPOs of private companies to drive market rebound this year</u>	The Edge Markets	Klik pada tajuk berita
14.	<u>Mohamed Zaini dilantik Ketua Pengarah baharu Jabatan Kimia</u>	Utusan Malaysia Online	Klik pada tajuk berita
15.	<u>CRADLE SEED VENTURES NAMES JULIANA JAN AS ACTING CEO</u>	Digital News Asia Online	Klik pada tajuk berita
16.	<u>More deals from China following ECRL talks</u>	New Straits Times	Rujuk Lampiran 6
17.	<u>PM go China to attend forum and improve trade cooperate</u>	Oriental Daily	Rujuk Lampiran 7
18.	<u>Ekuinas, MDEC chiefs among new MVCDC members – SC</u>	The Edge Financial Daily	Rujuk Lampiran 8
19.	<u>SC umum pelantikan ahli MVCDC</u>	Utusan Malaysia	Rujuk Lampiran 9
20.	<u>Jajaran baharu: JAS belum terima laporan EIA</u>	Utusan Malaysia	Rujuk Lampiran 10
21.	<u>Kerajaan Pulau Pinang dedah 56 syarat JAS</u>	Berita Harian	Rujuk Lampiran 11
22.	<u>Enviroment agency haven't receive</u>	Guang Ming Daily	Rujuk

	<u>east coast railway new route EIA report yet</u>		Lampiran 12
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24.	<u>Sultan tells DoE, authorities to ensure environmental rules met</u>	New Straits Times	Rujuk Lampiran 14
25.	<u>Penang LRT project to start next year</u>	The Edge Financial Daily	Rujuk Lampiran 15
26.	<u>No financial impact from Pengerang fire</u>	The Star	Rujuk Lampiran 16
27.	<u>PIL 1 passes DOE assessment and gets the green light</u>	The Star	Rujuk Lampiran 17
28.	<u>Shocked the PIL is getting the go-ahead</u>	The Star	Rujuk Lampiran 18
29.	<u>Penang LRT project to start next year</u>	The Sun Daily	Rujuk Lampiran 19
30.	<u>Two areas in Selangor record unhealthy air quality</u>	The Sun Daily	Rujuk Lampiran 20
31.	<u>Most people not ready to discard single-use plastic bags</u>	The Star	Rujuk Lampiran 21
32.	<u>Chow: PIL 1 highway is not a waste of money</u>	The Star	Rujuk Lampiran 22

TEMPATAN

Bil	Berita	Media	Capaian Berita Penuh
33.	Segera hijaukan alam	Utusan Malaysia Online	Klik pada tajuk berita



34.	<u>CAP kesal pencemaran najis khinzir</u>	Harian Metro Online	Klik pada tajuk berita
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Bil	Berita	Media	Capaian Berita Penuh
35.	<u>Sampah laut dalam membimbangkan</u>	Utusan Malaysia	Klik pada tajuk berita dan Rujuk Lampiran 23
36.	<u>Saintis hasilkan vaksin Nipah</u>	Utusan Malaysia	Rujuk Lampiran 24
37.	<u>Gasping for every breath</u>	The Sun Daily	Rujuk Lampiran 25

LAMPIRAN 1
BERITA HARIAN (ISU): MUKA SURAT 8
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

Malaysia berjaya kurangkan 33 peratus gas rumah hijau

Bangi: Malaysia berjaya mengurangkan kira-kira 33 peratus intensiti pelepasan gas rumah hijau daripada Keluaran Dalam Negara Kasar (KDNK).

Setiausaha Bahagian Pengurusan Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim Kementerian Tenaga, Sains, Teknologi, Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim, R Jaya Singam, berkata sasaran awal adalah 45 peratus menjelang 2030, dengan 10 peratus daripadanya bersyarat iaitu pemindahan teknologi serta penerimaan bantuan kewangan dari negara maju.

Katanya, pengurangan kadar pelepasan gas rumah hijau itu adalah selaras dengan komitmen Malaysia yang disuarakan ketika memuktamadkan Perjanjian Paris pada Persidangan Iklim Paris 2015 (COP21).

Tingkat sasaran

"Kita berikrar pada 2009 untuk kurangkan 40 peratus intensiti pelepasan gas rumah hijau berbanding KDNK menjelang 2020, dan ketika di Paris, kita tingkatkan sasaran itu kepada 45 peratus menjelang 2030.

"Berdasarkan data terkini yang sudah disahkan iaitu pada 2014, kita berjaya mengurangkan sehingga 33 peratus," katanya ketika ditemui selepas Syarahan Umum Kursi Perubahan Iklim Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (UKM) di sini, semalam.

Mengulas mengenai hasrat kerajaan untuk menggubal Akta Perubahan Iklim, Jaya Singam berkata, perundangan itu masih di peringkat perancangan dan dijangka siap digubal dalam tempoh dua tahun.

Katanya, akta itu antara lain dijangka mewajibkan semua syarikat bagi setiap sektor ekonomi untuk mengemukakan laporan kadar pelepasan gas rumah hijau masing-masing.

"Jika ada akta, kita boleh wajibkan semua sektor ekonomi untuk membuat pengiraan dan melaporkan kadar pelepasan gas rumah hijau setiap tahun, supaya kita boleh lihat sektor mana yang perlu diberi tumpuan.

"Aspek lain mungkin daripada segi tanggungjawab antara Kerajaan Pusat dan negeri membabitkan perkara seperti tanah dan hutan," katanya.



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R Jaya Singam,

Setiausaha Bahagian Pengurusan Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim Kementerian Tenaga, Sains, Teknologi, Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim

LAMPIRAN 2
BERITA HARIAN (BISNES): MUKA SURAT 24
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

SC umum ahli baharu MVCDC

Suruhanjaya Sekuriti Malaysia (SC) mengumumkan senarai ahli baharu Majlis Pembangunan Modal Teroka dan Ekuiti Swasta Malaysia (MVCDC).

Ahli majlis berkenaan dilantik oleh Menteri Kewangan.

SC berkata, MVCDC ditubuhkan pada 2005 sebagai satu majlis antara menteri dengan wakil sektor awam dan swasta untuk memberi visi dan hala tuju, memberi nasihat kepada kerajaan dan memudahkan penyelarasan strategi untuk keseluruhan pembangunan modal teroka (VC) dan ekuiti swasta (PE).

"MVCDC dipengerusikan oleh Datuk Syed Zaid Albar dan Timbalan Ketua Eksekutif SC, Datuk Zainal Izlan Zainal Abidin juga adalah ahli majlis berkenaan.

Dilantik untuk tempoh dua penggal

"Ahli-ahli MVCDC baharu yang dilantik bagi tempoh dua penggal bermula 1 Mac lalu ialah Ketua Setiausaha Kementerian Tenaga, Sains, Teknologi, Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim (MESTECC), Datuk Seri Dr Mohd Azhar Haji Yahaya; Timbalan Pengarah (Sektor Perkhidmatan Am), Pejabat Belanjawan Negara Kementerian Kewangan, Suhara Salleh; Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif, Ekuiti Nasional Bhd (Ekui-nas), Syed Yasir Arafat Syed Abd Kadir dan Presiden Malaysian Business Angels Network (MBAN), Dr V Sivapalan.

"Turut dilantik ialah Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif Perbadanan Ekonomi Digital Malaysia (MDEC), Surina Shukri; Presiden Malaysian VC and PE Association (MVCA), Victor Chua dan Naib Presiden Kanan dan Ketua Pelaburan Swasta, Permodalan Nasional Bhd (PNB), Mohd Irwan Ahmad Mustafa," katanya di Kuala Lumpur, semalam.

Mengulas lanjut, SC berkata memandangkan pembiayaan VC dan PE penting dalam memacu keusahawanan dan membangkitkan usaha kerajaan ke arah mencapai status negara ke arah ekonomi tambah nilai berpendapatan tinggi, MVCDC telah melaksanakan pelbagai inisiatif dengan kerjasama erat dengan kerajaan untuk memacu pertumbuhan industri.

LAMPIRAN 3
BERITA HARIAN (ISU): MUKA SURAT 18
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)



Projek diumumkan bernilai RM7 bilion diselia dan dilaksanakan sepenuhnya di bawah kerajaan negeri dan JAS hanya memberi maklum balas terhadap laporan EIA yang dibuat sebelum ini"

**Ahmad Kamarulnajib
Che Ibrahim,**
Ketua Pengarah JAS

Tindakan tegas jika gagal patuh syarat

Kuala Lumpur: Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) akan mengambil tindakan undang-undang jika kerajaan Pulau Pinang gagal mematuhi semua 56 syarat ditetapkan bagi projek pembinaan Lebuh Raya Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1).

Ketua Pengarahnya, Datuk Dr Ahmad Kamarulnajib Che Ibrahim, berkata projek berkenaan diluluskan dengan bersyarat susulan laporan Penilaian Kesan Alam Sekitar (EIA) yang dihantar kepada jabatan terbabit pada 2 Januari lalu.

Katanya, projek diumumkan bernilai RM7 bilion diselia dan dilaksanakan sepenuhnya di bawah kerajaan negeri dan JAS hanya memberi maklum balas terhadap laporan EIA yang dibuat sebelum ini.

"Projek berkenaan di bawah seliaan kerajaan negeri yang perlu memastikan (kelulusan) syarat yang ditetapkan dipatuhi. Jika tidak, JAS boleh mengambil tindakan berdasarkan undang-undang," katanya.

Beliau berkata demikian ketika ditemui media selepas majlis pelancaran Anugerah Bunga Raya Perdana Menteri (PMHA)

2019/2020 oleh Timbalan Menteri Tenaga, Sains, Teknologi, Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim, Isnaraisah Munirah di sini, semalam.

Kelulusan bersyarat

Kelmarin, JAS dilaporkan memberi kelulusan bersyarat bagi melaksanakan pembinaan Lebuh Raya PIL 1 yang dimaklumkan kepada kerajaan negeri pada 10 April lalu, selepas melalui penilaian dan pertimbangan Jawatankuasa Teknikal Penilaian Laporan EIA.

PIL 1 adalah sebahagian daripada projek mega Pelan Induk Pengangkutan (PIP) Pulau Pinang, membolehkan pembinaan sistem pengangkutan awam bersepadu dan tiga lebuh raya, selain projek

terowong dasar laut yang menghubungkan Bagan Ajam di tanah besar serta Persiaran Gurney di sebelah pulau.

Belum terima permohonan EIA

Mengenai Projek Laluan Rel Pantai Timur (ECRL), Ahmad Kamarulnajib berkata, setakat ini JAS masih belum menerima permohonan EIA bagi jajaran baharu ECRL kerana pengumumannya baru dibuat beberapa hari lalu.

"Bagi jajaran baharu ECRL, masih belum ada EIA dibuat me-

mandangkan ia baru diumumkan kerajaan (perubahan jajaran baharu)," katanya.

Ditanya sama ada perubahan jajaran itu mungkin disebabkan jajaran lama yang merentasi Bantaran Titiwangsa tidak mendapat kelulusan EIA, beliau berkata, perkara itu tidak berbangkit kerana laporan EIA bagi projek yang dicadangkan sebelum ini sudah mendapat kelulusan.

"Perubahan jajaran mungkin disebabkan faktor lain," katanya.



Keratan BH semalam.

LAMPIRAN 4
SINAR HARIAN (NASIONAL): MUKA SURAT 2
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

JAS belum dapat laporan trek baharu ECRL

KUALA LUMPUR - Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) masih belum menerima laporan Penilaian Kesan Alam Sekitar (EIA) daripada kerajaan persekutuan berhubung jajaran baharu. Projek Laluan Rel Pantai Timur (ECRL) seperti diumumkan Perdana Menteri, Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad Jumaat lalu.

Ketua Pengarah JAS, Datuk Dr Ahmad Kamarulnajib Che Ibrahim berkata, tiada tarikh muktamad yang ditetapkan untuk menyerahkan laporan EIA berkenaan.

"Laporan EIA boleh diserahkan sekiranya kerajaan Persekutuan sudah bersedia untuk membentangkannya kepada JAS. Tiada tarikh muktamad yang ditetapkan untuk menyerahkan laporan EIA tersebut," katanya ketika ditemui selepas pelancaran majlis *Prime Minister's Hibiscus Award* 2019/2020 di sini, semalam.

Majlis tersebut dirasmikan oleh Timbalan Menteri Tenaga, Sains, Teknologi, Inovasi, Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim (MESTECC), Isnaraissah Munirah Majilis.

Jajaran baharu ECRL yang dicadangkan itu akan merentasi 20 stesen dari Kota Bharu melalui Kuala Terengganu, Kuantan, Mentakab dan diteruskan hingga ke Jelevu, Bangi/Kajang, Putrajaya Sentral serta Pelabuhan Klang.

Dalam pada itu, Kamarulnajib berkata, orang ramai yang ingin mengetahui mengenai 56 syarat yang membawa kepada kelulusan pembinaan Lebuhraya Pan



Island Link 1 (PIL 1) di Pulau Pinang, boleh mendapatkannya di pejabat kerajaan negeri tersebut.

Katanya, pihaknya juga akan mengambil tindakan sekiranya berlaku pelanggaran syarat dalam kerja-kerja pembinaan.

"Jabatan Alam Sekitar bertanggungjawab terhadap laporan EIA itu dan bukannya projek terbabit. Projek itu di bawah bidang kuasa kerajaan negeri," katanya. - *Bernama*

LAMPIRAN 5
NEW STRAITS TIMES (NEWS): MUKA SURAT 12
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

No environmental impact report yet, says D-G

KUALA LUMPUR: The Department of Environment (DOE) has yet to receive the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report on the resumption of the East Coast Rail Link (ECRL) project.

"We have yet to receive the (new) EIA report for the new routes. However, there is no timeline set for the presentation of the report.

"When the government is ready with the report, they can submit it to us," said director-general Datuk Dr Ahmad Kamarulnajib Che Ibrahim at the Prime Minister's Hibiscus Award

2019/2020 launching ceremony here yesterday.

The new ECRL route covers Kota Baru-Mentakab-Jelebu-Kuala Kelawang-Bangi/Kajang-Putrajaya and Port Klang.

However, he said the department had received the EIA report for the old ERCL routes.

On the EIA report on the proposed Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1) in Penang, which was recently approved by DOE, he said the department would take action if it found any violations of the 56 conditions set by the Penang government.

"The Penang government has pledged to abide by the conditions. We have approved the report and they should fulfil the commitment," he said.

Kamarulnajib said anyone who wanted access to the list of conditions could go to the state government's office.

Deputy Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change Minister Isnaraissah Munirah Majilis, who was present, declined to comment on the matter.

Several non-governmental organisations in Penang recently

voiced their concern, claiming it could have a huge impact on the environment.

The 19.5km PIL 1 highway alignment will consist of 7.6km of viaduct sections, four tunnel sections totalling 10.1km in length, and embankment sections measuring 1.8km.

The project will stretch from Gurney Drive to the Tun Dr Lim Chong Eu Expressway near the Bayan Lepas Free Industrial Zone area.

Meanwhile, Isnaraissah said the award will continue to play a pivotal role in encouraging local



**Datuk Dr Ahmad
Kamarulnajib Che Ibrahim**

businesses to create and adopt innovative solutions.

The award is now open for registration until Aug 30. It is aimed at recognising participating companies that implement the best environmental measures in their daily operations.

LAMPIRAN 6
NEW STRAITS TIMES (NEWS): MUKA SURAT 10
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

HIGHER ENGAGEMENT

More deals from China following ECRL talks

KUALA LUMPUR: Malaysia's trade policy adjustments and refinements are expected to result in a higher engagement with Chinese companies, particularly after the recent renegotiation on the East Coast Rail Link (ECRL) project.

Deputy International Trade and Industry Minister Dr Ong Kian Ming said the latest development on the ECRL would have cleared uncertainties among investors and Chinese companies over the country's trade policies.

"(Prior to this), these companies might have some reservations about coming to Malaysia, but I believe there will be more Chinese companies engaging with Prime Minister Tun Dr Mahathir Mohamad following the recent renegotiation," he said after the "PM Revisits China: Expectations and Opportunities" forum.

held here yesterday.

The forum was held in conjunction with the upcoming Belt and Road Initiative (BRI) forum in Beijing, scheduled to take place on April 25 and April 26, which will be attended by Dr Mahathir.

"(His attendance) will send a strong signal to other countries participating in the BRI project," Ong said.

He said other ministers, such as the International Trade and Industry Minister Darrell Leiking, Transport Minister Anthony Loke and Energy, Science, Technology, Environment and Climate Change Minister Yeo Bee Yin, would accompany Dr Mahathir to China.

One of the forum's panellists, Dr Ngeow Chow Bing of Universiti Malaya's Institute of China Studies, said Malaysia's agreement to

attend the BRI forum symbolised Malaysia's support for the initiative.

Dr Mahathir announced on Monday that China Communications Construction Co Ltd (CCCC) would refund RMB1 billion of the RM3.1 billion advance payment under the original contract for Phase 2 of the ECRL project to the government within a month.

The refund follows the signing of a supplementary agreement between Malaysia Rail Link Sdn. Bhd and CCCC on Friday, in which the 640km project will proceed at a lower cost of RM44 billion compared with the original price tag of RM65.5 billion.

Malaysia Rail Link and CCCC will undertake the project on a joint venture basis.

Ong said Malaysia should explore co-funding models for in-



Deputy International Trade and Industry Minister Dr Ong Kian Ming (fourth from left) with speakers of the 'PM Revisits China: Expectations and Opportunities' forum in Kuala Lumpur yesterday. PIC BY NUR ADIBAH AHMAD IZAM

frastructure projects, and the renegotiated joint-venture model of ownership and operations between Malaysia and CCCC should be an option for certain projects.

"Rather, the long-term financial sustainability of these projects should be part of the economic calculations," he said.

Asked whether China would buy more palm oil from Malaysia post-ECRL renegotiation, he said the commodity, as well as agriculture as a whole, was an important part of bilateral activities for the country and the ministry hoped to see continued support for Malaysia's palm oil products.

Bernama

LAMPIRAN 7
ORIENTAL DAILY (NATION): MUKA SURAT 13
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

首相赴华出席论坛 提升经贸合作

吉隆坡16日讯 | 国际贸易及工业部副部长王建民表示，首相敦马哈迪在下周赴中国出席一带一路国际合作高峰论坛，料在会上会发表大马对一带一路倡议的看法及扮演的角色，而且伴随东铁事件已经解决，现在是吸引高素质的中企来马投资的最佳时期。

王建民认为，从投资的角度来看，在马哈迪去年访华期间，因有一些中国在马的大型工程项目悬而未决，导致有些中国企业对投资大马处于观望的态度。

他说，敦马哈迪上次访华是国事访问，这次是去参与一带一路国际论坛，从中可见大马政府对一带一路的看法及可扮演怎样的重要角色。「以双方的经贸情况而言，我国已经解决了东铁等的挑战，那么两国的经贸合作可以提升。」

他今日在马中总商会《首相再访华：期望与机遇》英语讲座论坛中，发表上述谈话。

谈到首相此趟访华的期待，



陈云祥（右）赠送书籍及感谢状给《首相再访华：期望与机遇》讲座论坛的主宾王建民（中）及饶兆斌（左）。

王建民则称，这次主要是如何吸引更多中企来投资及马方如何在「一带一路」相关的项目做好协调，以确保项目遵守合约的条例。

此外，他也提到，大马还有几个铁路项目，包括大马铁路提升工程，这也会公开招标，其他

国家的铁路公司也可以来参与我国的基建发展。

至少4位部长同行

据王建民所知，这次将会有至少4位部长同行以参与一带一路国际峰会的分会，他们分别是

交通部长陆兆福、能源、工艺、科学、气候变化与环境部长杨美盈、劳工部长达乐雷京及外交部长拿督赛夫丁。

中国政府将在4月25日及26日在北京举行《第二届一带一路国际合作高峰论坛》，而马哈迪将会赴华参与这次的论坛。

参与一带一路的国家的参考，他则认为，各国的国情及法律都有所不同，但他相信这是一个可以作为参考的案例。

《首相再访华：期望与契机》讲座由马中总商会举办，并由国际贸易及工业部副部长王建民及饶兆斌为主讲嘉宾，大会主席是马中总商会财经投资委员会主席陈云祥，而论坛主讲者则有马中友好协会会长拿督马吉德、马中总商会副总会长拿督林恒毅、北港首席执行官拿督阿兹曼及德勤大马主管合伙人余永平。

东铁谈判成功 投资者反应更积极

吉隆坡16日讯 | 外交部长拿督赛夫丁表示，相信与首相敦马哈迪二度任相后在去年11月首次访华相比，敦马本月再访华，会受到中国政府和投资者更积极的反应。

他说，他之所以这么乐观，是因为马中两国重新谈判东海岸铁路计划在本月12日取得成功，而两国将欢庆马中建交45周年。

预料赛夫丁将陪同首相敦马哈迪于本月杪前往中国访问，这也是敦马哈迪在去年5月二度任相后，第二次访问中国。

「在第一次访华时，（两个领导者）讨论了东铁项目等的解决方案，以及北京也了解我国政府面临的财务问题。」

「这次第二次访华，也会参加一带一路论坛……所以这次我们会更加乐观，因所有问题都解决了，而我有信心北京会非常热情地接待敦马哈迪。」

赛夫丁接受《马新社》访问时，如是指出。

此外，针对苏丹最近发生政治动荡，身在苏丹的大马学生状况如何时，赛夫丁指出，约有200名大马人，包括96名大马学身在当地，而他们目前安全，并受到大马使馆的庇护。他说，倘若当地情况恶化，政府准备将这些大马人带回国内。

大马正面看待「一带一路」

吉隆坡16日讯 | 马来亚大学华人研究中心主任饶兆斌直言，前首相拿督斯里纳吉掌权时，大马与中国关系好是不可否认的事实，但纳吉时代的马中关系良好，并没有辐射到地缘政治。

饶兆斌认为，敦马哈迪重新上台的确有潜能将马中关系，提升至辐射到整个东盟区域，但是否会出现这样的突破，则还有待观察，因现在的中国不同于以前

的中国。

他说，马哈迪此趟赴华参与「一带一路」国际合作高峰论坛是工作访问，相信不会对马中关系带来正式的定调新局势，但此趟赴华很关键是因这是表态马来西亚支持「一带一路」倡议。

他指出，马哈迪也是第一个公开表态要出席高峰论坛的国际领导人，这也可以解除中方对大马是否支持「一带一路」的疑虑，这是一个正面的看法。

考虑，这是一个正面的看法。

饶兆斌在马中总商会《首相再访华：期望与机遇》英语讲座论坛上提到，东海岸铁路即便没有复工，两国的关系也不会一落千丈，纵观双方之前的做法，双方有一个共识，即就算解决不了，也不要影响到马中关系，而今复工相等于解决棘手问题，目前而言是加分的举动。

询及东铁事件是否会成为其他

LAMPIRAN 8

THE EDGE FINANCIAL DAILY (STOCKS WITH MOMENTUM): MUKA SURAT 12
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

Ekuinas, MDEC chiefs among new MVCDC members — SC

BY SYAHIRAH SYED JAAFAR

KUALA LUMPUR: Ekuiti Nasional Bhd's (Ekuinas) chief executive officer (CEO) Syed Yasir Arafat Syed Abd Kadir, together with Malaysia Digital Economy Corp (MDEC) CEO Surina Shukri, have been named as new appointees to the Malaysian Venture Capital and Private Equity Development Council (MVCDC).

In a statement yesterday, the Securities Commission Malaysia (SC) said five new council members were also appointed. Together with Ekuinas and MDEC's CEOs, they were appointed by the finance minister for a two-year term with the council, starting March 1, 2019.

They are: Datuk Seri Dr Mohd Azhar Yahaya, the secretary-general of the ministry of energy, science, technology, environment and climate change; Suhara Salleh, the deputy director (general services sector) of the National Budget Office in the ministry of finance; Dr V Sivapalan, the president of the Malaysian Business Angels Network; Victor Chua, the president of the Malaysian Venture Capital and Private Equity Association; and Mohd Irwan Ahmad Mustafa, the senior vice-president and head of private investments at Permodalan Nasional Bhd.

The MVCDC was set up in 2005 as an

inter-ministerial council with representatives from both the public and private sectors to provide vision and direction, advise the government and facilitate greater coordination of strategies for the overall development of the venture capital (VC) and private equity (PE) industry.

The MVCDC is chaired by SC chairman Datuk Syed Zaid Albar. The SC's deputy chief executive Datuk Zainal Izlan Zainal Abidin is also a member of the council.

The SC's chairmanship of the MVCDC is in line with its role as the capital market regulator which includes overseeing the development of alternative funding channels such as VC and PE, as well as equity crowdfunding and peer-to-peer financing, the statement read.

"Given the importance of VC and PE financing in spurring entrepreneurship and catalysing the government's efforts to move the country towards a high-income value-add economy, the MVCDC has undertaken various initiatives in close engagement with the government to accelerate the industry's growth.

"These include measures to enhance tax incentives, attract investments by corporates, encourage entry of foreign industry players, streamline government funding and expand the pool of industry professionals," the SC said.

LAMPIRAN 9
UTUSAN MALAYSIA (BISNES): MUKA SURAT 38
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)



Suruhanjaya Sekuriti
Securities Commission
Malaysia

SC umum pelantikan ahli MVCDC

KUALA LUMPUR 16 April - Suruhanjaya Sekuriti Malaysia (SC) mengumumkan pelantikan ahli-ahli baharu Majlis Pembangunan Modal Teroka dan Ekuiti Swasta Malaysia (MVCDC).

SC dalam kenyataannya berkata, ahli-ahli majlis tersebut telah dilantik oleh Menteri Kewangan.

Katanya, ahli-ahli yang dilantik bagi tempoh dua penggal bermula 1 Mac lalu adalah Ketua Setiausaha Kementerian Tenaga, Sains, Teknologi, Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim (MESTECC), Datuk Seri Dr. Mohd. Azhar Yahaya; Timbalan Pengarah (Sektor Perkhidmatan Am) Pejabat Belanjawan Negara Kementerian Kewangan, Suhara Salleh dan Ketua Pegawai Eksekutif (CEO) Ekuiti Nasional Bhd., Syed Yasir Arafat Syed Abd Kadir.

"Turut sama menganggotai majlis tersebut adalah Presiden Malaysian Business Angels Network (MBAN), Dr. V. Sivapalan; CEO Malaysian Digital Economy Corporation (MDEC), Surina Shukri; Presiden Malaysian VC and PE Association (MVCA), Victor Chua dan Naib Presiden Kanan dan Ketua Pelaburan Swasta, Permodalan Nasional Bhd. (PNB), Mohd. Irwan Ahmad Mustafa," katanya di sini hari ini.

MVCDC ditubuhkan pada 2005 sebagai satu majlis antara menteri dengan wakil sektor awam dan swasta untuk memberi visi dan hala tuju, nasihat kepada kerajaan dan memudah cara penyelarasan strategi untuk keseluruhan pembangunan modal teroka (VC) dan ekuiti swasta (PE).

MVCDC dipengerusikan oleh Pengerusi SC, Datuk Syed Zaid Albar dan Timbalan Ketua Eksekutif SC, Datuk Zainal Izlan Zainal Abidin juga merupakan ahli Majlis tersebut.

Tambah SC, MVCDC telah melaksanakan pelbagai inisiatif kerjasama erat dengan kerajaan untuk memacu pertumbuhan industri memandangkan pentingnya pembiayaan VC dan PE dalam memacu keusahawanan dan menjadi pemangkin terhadap usaha kerajaan ke arah mencapai status negara ke arah ekonomi tambah nilai berpendapatan tinggi.

LAMPIRAN 10
UTUSAN MALAYSIA (DALAM NEGERI): MUKA SURAT 6
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

Jajaran baharu: JAS belum terima laporan EIA

KUALA LUMPUR 16 April - **Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS)** masih belum menerima laporan Penilaian Kesan Alam Sekitar (EIA) daripada kerajaan Persekutuan berhubung jajaran baharu Projek Laluan Rel Pantai Timur (ECRL).

Ketua Pengarah JAS, Datuk Dr. Ahmad Kamarulnajib Che Ibrahim (**gambar**) berkata, tiada tarikh muktamad yang ditetapkan untuk menyerahkan laporan berkenaan.

"Laporan EIA boleh diserahkan sekiranya kerajaan persekutuan sudah bersedia untuk membentangkannya kepada JAS. Tiada tarikh muktamad yang ditetapkan untuk menyerahkan laporan EIA tersebut," katanya ketika ditemui selepas pelancaran majlis 'Prime Minister's Hibiscus Award 2019/2020', di sini hari ini.

Majlis itu dirasmikan Timbalan Menteri Tenaga, Sains, Teknologi, Inovasi, Alam Sekitar dan Perubahan Iklim (MESTECC), Isnaraissah Munirah Majilis.

Jajaran baharu ECRL yang dicadangkan itu akan merentasi

20 stesen dari Kota Bharu melalui Kuala Terengganu, Kuantan, Mentakab dan diteruskan hingga ke Jelevu, Bangi/Kajang, Putrajaya Sentral serta Pelabuhan Klang.

Dalam pada itu, Kamarulnajib berkata, orang ramai yang ingin mengetahui mengenai 56 syarat yang membawa kepada kelulusan pembinaan Lebuh raya Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1) di Pulau Pinang, boleh mendapatkannya di pejabat kerajaan negeri tersebut.

Katanya, pihaknya juga akan mengambil tindakan sekiranya berlaku pelanggaran syarat dalam kerja-kerja pembinaan tersebut.

"Jabatan Alam Sekitar bertanggungjawab terhadap laporan EIA itu dan bukannya projek terbabit. Projek itu di bawah bidang kuasa kerajaan negeri...sekiranya ada apa-apa pelanggaran, kerajaan negeri harus memastikan mereka komited dan memenuhi syarat...kami akan mengambil tindakan terhadap sebarang pelanggaran syarat," katanya. - BERNAMA



LAMPIRAN 11
BERITA HARIAN (ISU): MUKA SURAT 18
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

Kerajaan Pulau Pinang dedah 56 syarat JAS

➔ KM nafi dakwaan NGO projek PIL 1 pembaziran

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Kerajaan Pulau Pinang semalam mendedahkan butiran 56 syarat Jabatan Alam Sekitar (JAS) yang perlu dipatuhi bagi pembinaan Lebuhraya Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1).

Ketua Menteri, Chow Kon Yeow, berkata syarat itu merangkumi pematuhan terhadap kawalan kerja tanah, kawalan dan pengawasan kualiti air, udara, bunyi bising, bahan buangan serta penilaian risiko dan langkah-langkah pencegahan.

"Berikutan ulasan daripada pelbagai pihak berkepentingan yang memohon supaya syarat bersama kelulusan ini diumumkan, kerajaan negeri hari ini (semalam) bersejua mendedahkan semua 56 syarat itu. Ia (semua 56 syarat) juga akan dijadikan (dokumen) umum mengikut budi bicara kerajaan negeri," katanya pada sidang media di sini, semalam.

16 bahagian utama

Kelmarin, kerajaan negeri mengumumkan JAS memberi kelulusan dengan 56 syarat kepada laporan Penilaian Kesan Alam Sekitar (EIA) yang disediakan bagi pembinaan PIL 1. Kelulusan bersyarat itu dimaklumkan JAS pada 10 April lalu dan projek yang dianggarkan bernilai RM7 bilion dijangka bermula Julai tahun hadapan.

Mengikut lampiran yang diedarkan kepada wakil media, 56 syarat terbahagi dibahagikan kepada 16 bahagian utama, antaranya memabatkan Pematuhan, Penerangan

Bagi Aktiviti Yang Ditetapkan, Konsep dan Reka Bentuk Projek, Pemberitahuan Bertulis dan Kawalan serta Pengawasan Kualiti Air.

Sebagai contoh, dalam bahagian Pemberitahuan Bertulis, sebarang pemasangan peralatan bahan api, janakuasa dan sistem kawalan pencemaran udara perlu diberitahu secara bertulis kepada JAS mengikut Peraturan-Peraturan Kualiti Alam Sekeliling (Udara Bersih) 2014.

Nafi PIL 1 pembaziran

Sementara itu, Kon Yeow menafikan PIL 1 adalah satu pembaziran seperti dakwaan beberapa pertubuhan bukan kerajaan (NGO), sebaliknya projek itu satu keperluan kepada rakyat Pulau Pinang bagi menangani masalah kesesakan trafik sehingga 2035.

"Itu (dakwaan pembaziran) hanya komen NGO, begitu banyak kajian dan kerja teknikal dilakukan oleh pelbagai perunding yang di-

lantik dalam projek ini. Ini adalah projek yang amat diperlukan" katanya.

Mengulas reaksi Persatuan Pengguna Pulau Pinang (CAP) dan Sahabat Alam Malaysia (SAM) yang kecewa dengan keputusan JAS memberi kelulusan bersyarat terhadap pelaksanaan PIL 1, Ketua Menteri berkata, ketika ini pun, keadaan kesesakan lalu lintas yang dihadapi sangat teruk.

"Jika projek ini tiada, ia akan menjejaskan produktiviti dan mengakibatkan kerugian besar kepada ekonomi Pulau Pinang," katanya sambil menambah, kerajaan negeri juga sudah memberi ruang kepada orang awam dan NGO untuk menyatakan pendapat masing-masing dalam beberapa program terbuka sebelum ini.

"Kita sudah melalui semua proses, termasuk mendengar pendapat awam. Saya percaya, mereka (NGO) sudah memberi komen mengenai perkara berkaitan sebelum ini," katanya.



Syarat itu merangkumi pematuhan terhadap kawalan kerja tanah, kawalan dan pengawasan kualiti air, udara, bunyi bising, bahan buangan serta penilaian risiko dan langkah-langkah pencegahan

Chow Kon Yeow,
Ketua Menteri Pulau Pinang

LAMPIRAN 12
GUANG MING DAILY (NATION): MUKA SURAT 8
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

環境局：未接獲東鐵新路線環評報告

（吉隆坡16日讯）环境局仍未从中央政府获得东海岸铁路新路线的环境影响评估报告。

环境局总监拿督阿末卡马鲁纳祖说，当局没设提呈报告的最后期限。

他于今日出席“2019/2020年首相大红花奖”推介礼后，如此回应媒

体的询问。

东铁新路线将涵盖20个站，从哥打巴鲁至瓜拉登嘉楼、关丹、文德甲，再衔接至日叻务、万宜／加影、布城中环及巴生港口。

经过5个州属及布城

路线调整后 will 经过5个州属及布城，之前只有4州，

让更多州属受惠。

新南部路线将直接衔接关丹港口至巴生港口，作为两个港口的桥梁。

另外，阿末卡马鲁纳祖说，若公众欲获知关于檳城第一泛岛大道（PIL 1）获得批准所符合的56项条件，可以向檳城州政府办公室获取相关资料。

他指出，若施工期间发生违反条文事件，环境局将采取行动。

“环境局对环境影响评估报告负责，并非工程。该工程是属于州政府管辖……州政府必须确保他们致力遵守条件，若有违规事件，我们将采取对付行动。”（LMY）

LAMPIRAN 13
NEW STRAITS TIMES (NEWS): MUKA SURAT 16
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

NECESSARY INFRASTRUCTURE

CM: PIL 1 PROJECT NOT A WASTE OF MONEY

State considered all views, including cost-benefit analysis, before it came to a decision, says Chow

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THE construction of the Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1) highway is not a waste of public funds but a project needed to elevate Penang to greater heights in the future, Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow

said if the Penang government listened to all the comments by the various non-governmental organisations (NGOs) against such projects, then there would be no development in the state.

"Just imagine how critical the traffic would be if there is no highway in 2025, 2030, 2035 and beyond," he said in response to comments from the Consumers' Association of Penang and Sahabat Alam Malaysia that the highway project was a waste of public funds and not a long-term solution to address the state's traffic woes.

Elaborating, Chow said without such a project, there would be major implications to the state's economy.

"Imagine the loss in productivity just getting stuck in traffic.

Will tourists visit the state then? What about investors? How about the local community's quality of life?"

Chow said the state had taken into consideration all views before it decided on the project.

"Most importantly, we also looked into the cost-benefit analysis," he said at the top station of Penang Hill when announcing the return of the Penang Hill Festival 2019.

While admitting that the project may have some negative impact, he stressed that various measures were taken to mitigate these problems.

Earlier, Chow announced the 56 conditions which came with the conditional approval for the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report of the PIL 1 highway



Penang Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow (centre) with Penang Hill Corp general manager Cheok Lay Leng (second from left) announcing the return of the Penang Hill Festival 2019 in George Town yesterday. PIC BY RAMDZAN MASIAM

project. He gave his assurance that the state government would comply with all the conditions set and that reports would be submitted to the Department of Environment (DoE) for auditing purposes.

"Some of these reports are to be submitted monthly while others three months once. We will abide by all that.

"We will also carry out an environmental audit and appoint environmental officers to monitor during the course of the project," he said.

The conditions include earthworks controls; water, air and noise controls; vibration controls; waste management, risk assessment and other mit-

igating measures.

An Environmental Management Plan (EMP) will be prepared and approval sought from the DoE before construction begins.

The EIA report was only valid for a two-year period.

It was reported that DoE had granted conditional approval for the EIA report of the PIL 1, a component under the Penang Transport Master Plan (PTMP).

The approval was conveyed to the Penang government via a letter from the DoE dated April 10.

Announcing this on Monday, Chow had said that with the approval in place, the Penang government considered this a major milestone towards enabling the project to move forward.

LAMPIRAN 14
NEW STRAITS TIMES (NEWS): MUKA SURAT 16
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

STATE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Sultan tells DoE, authorities to ensure environmental rules met

IPOH: Development is not a licence to allow destruction of the environment, says Sultan of Perak Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah.

According to him, unplanned development in particular, and those done without any Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) approval, especially in highland areas would do serious harm to the environment.

"For example, the uncontrolled development that was reported in Tanah Tinggi Kinta (Perak) bordering Cameron Highlands (Pahang) and Lojing (Kelantan) has resulted in serious erosion and silt," he added.

Sultan Nazrin said the toxic pollution in Pasir Gudang, Johor recently should be a lesson to all, on the importance of treating environmental pollution seriously.

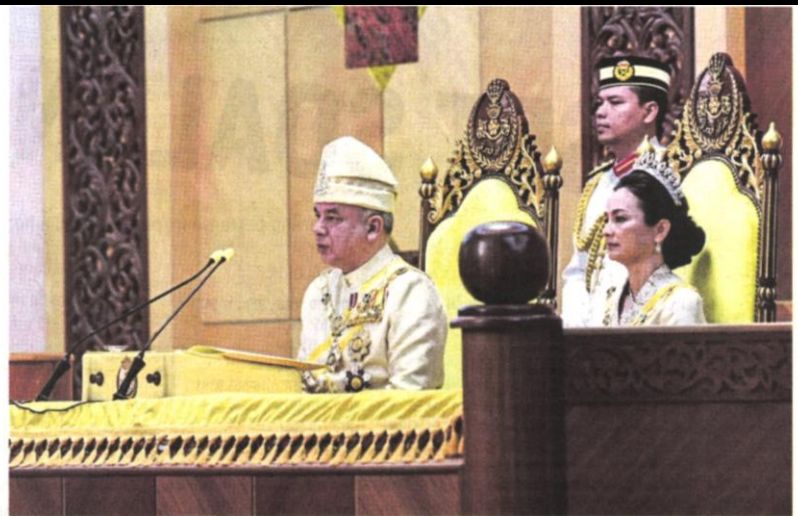
He added that the Department

of Environment and local authorities must act strictly in conducting periodic monitoring and to ensure compliance with environmental standards.

"All plastic recycling plants should carry out an EIA study and factories that operate illegally must be closed without delay. An awareness to minimise the use of plastics must be instilled among the people.

"Government departments and agencies, the private sector, schools, mosques, synagogues and non-governmental organisations should be actively involved in implementing the zero plastic campaign," he added.

Sultan Nazrin said this in when opening the first meeting of the second session of the 14th Perak Legislative Assembly at Bangunan Perak Darul Ridzuan here yesterday. Also present was his



Sultan Nazrin Muizzuddin Shah and his consort Tuanku Zara Salim at the second term of the 14th State Legislative Assembly at Bangunan Perak Darul Ridzuan yesterday. BERNAMA PIC

consort Tuanku Zara Salim.

The Perak ruler said the stability, peace, prosperity and well-being of the country depended on the spirit of inter-racial co-operation and fostering mutual respect between religions.

Sultan Nazrin in his speech also praised New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern on the way she handled the terror attack on

two mosques in Christchurch, which killed 50 people and injured 62 others last month.

"When a leader shows exemplary leadership, the people will live in peace and harmony.

"Muslims accounted for just one per cent of the population in New Zealand but Jacinda had assured their safety and rights as citizens would be protected.

"Jacinda, through her words and actions, has given New Zealand a new look and image, and placed her citizens and nation in high regard," Sultan Nazrin said, expressing his condolences to the victims and families of the terror attack, and hoping that their lives would be back to normal again soon. **By Zahratulhayat Mat Arif**

LAMPIRAN 15
THE EDGE FINANCIAL DAILY (HOME BUSINESS): MUKA SURAT 2
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

Penang LRT project to start next year

KUALA LUMPUR: The construction of the proposed Komtar-Bayan Lepas light rail transit (LRT) project, part of Penang's multibillion-ringgit Transport Master Plan (PTMP), is expected to begin next year.

Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow (*pic*) said the project is awaiting conditional approval by the transport ministry, which will likely be obtained soon.

He said a team from the Land Public Transport Agency (APAD) had visited Penang about two weeks ago to view the proposed rail line alignment and assess the suitability of locations for train stations.

"Based on their suggestions and comments, our team (state government) will make the amendments and improvements for APAD to advise the transport minister.

"With that, we will (then) be able to fine-tune the alignment, location of stations and financing packages," he told *Bernama* during a recent visit to the national news agency's headquarters here.

The PTMP, a state-initiated pro-



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ject, is expected to cost an estimated RM46 billion.

It features an undersea tunnel linking the island to the mainland, highways, LRT and monorail, and extensive bus connectivity on both the island and mainland.

SRS Consortium, a joint venture between Gamuda Bhd, Loh Phoy Yen Holdings Sdn Bhd and Ideal Property Development Sdn Bhd, is the project delivery partner for the PTMP and South Reclamation Scheme.

The proposed projects in the

first phase of the PTMP include the Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1) highway, the Bayan Lepas LRT system, and works involving several major roads.

The state government obtained conditional approval for PIL 1 from the **Department of Environment** on April 10 after it reviewed the environmental impact assessment on the project.

The rail line for the LRT project will cover 29.5km and 27 stations, running from Komtar to the Penang International Airport and to the three future reclaimed islands in the south of Penang, estimated to cost RM8 billion.

Chow said the LRT project would take between six and eight years to complete. He said a public display would be held for three months to gather public feedback.

"The project delivery partner will assist the state government in implementing the project, securing approval, getting funding and delivering it according to the time frame, quality and cost. — *Bernama*

LAMPIRAN 16
THE STAR (BUSINESS / BIZBYTES): MUKA SURAT 2
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

No financial impact from Pengerang fire

PETALING JAYA: Petronas Chemicals Group Bhd, Petronas Gas Bhd and Petronas Dagangan Bhd have announced that the fire incident at Pengerang Integrated Complex (PIC), Johor, has no financial or operational impact on its current businesses.

The fire incident, which occurred on April 12 at 1.25 am, was due to a burst pipe.

There were no gas leaks and no tanks exploded.

In a previous statement, Petronas said its emergency and response team was deployed and the fire was contained within 30 minutes.

Two Malaysians between the ages of 28 and 30, believed to be working as security guards at the site, were injured.

The Department of Environment had also confirmed that there was no toxic waste lingering in the air.

LAMPIRAN 17
THE STAR (NATION): MUKA SURAT 2
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

PIL 1 passes DOE assessment and gets the green light

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GEORGE TOWN: The Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1) has been given the green light and is expected to start in July next year to help disperse traffic in Penang.

The Department of Environment (DOE) has approved the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report for the proposed PIL 1 which is a component under the RM46bil Penang Transport Master Plan (PTMP).

Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow said the approval was conveyed to the state via a letter dated April 10.

"Following the technical reviews,

a revised EIA report was submitted to DOE on March 22 which was approved with 56 conditions.

"We consider this a major milestone towards enabling the project to move on the ground," he said yesterday.

Last Monday, *The Star* broke the news in an exclusive report that construction on the RM9bil light rail transit (LRT) line and the RM9.6bil PIL 1 were scheduled to start in June next year.

Necessary approvals, said Chow, would be sought from various agencies to start the construction of PIL 1 highway, which is expected to be fully completed by June 2026.

"It is the state's commitment to

ensure that the project will be implemented by adhering to stringent DOE guidelines with the Competency, Accountability and Transparency policy adopted at every level," he said.

The next phase of work would be the detailed design phase and appointing the best work package contractors through open tender.

On the payment mode, Chow said the Penang South Reclamation projects would be used as a financing model to generate construction cost.

"While waiting for the land to be ready to generate revenue, there must be bridging finance. There will be bridging finance from both the project delivery partner SRS

Consortium Sdn Bhd and the state government," he said.

"This is to enable the project to kick-start before revenue is generated from the land reclamation."

Chow said the actual cost of the project would only be known during the calling of the tender process and the submission of bids.

"We estimate it to be around RM7bil. For this project, it involves a six-lane highway with twin tunnels," he said.

The 19.5km-long PIL 1 highway alignment will comprise 7.6km of viaduct sections, four tunnel sections totalling 10.1km and embankment sections totalling 1.8km.

The PIL 1 alignment will com-

mence from Gurney Drive to the Tun Dr Lim Chong Eu expressway near the Bayan Lepas Free Trade Zone Phase IV.

In an immediate reaction, both the Consumers Association of Penang (CAP) and Sahabat Alam Malaysia (SAM) have expressed shock that the DOE had approved the EIA despite the public feedback.

"The PIL is not a long term solution to our traffic problems. To spend RM8bil for this road is a colossal waste of public resources," said SAM president S.M. Mohamed Idris in a statement.

He demanded that the government release the 56 conditions imposed by the DOE.

LAMPIRAN 18
THE STAR (VIEWS): MUKA SURAT 17
TARIKH: 17 APRIL 2019 (RABU)

Shocked the PIL is getting the go-ahead

THE Consumers' Association of Penang (CAP) and Sahabat Alam Malaysia (SAM) are very upset by the Penang Chief Minister's announcement yesterday that the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the Pan-Island Link (PIL) has been approved by the Department of Environment (DOE) with 56 conditions. We are also shocked that the DOE has approved the EIA despite the public feedback.

We were among many thousands of Penangites and groups who voiced deep concerns over the EIA, which had many flaws.

We totally disagree with Chief Minister YB Chow Kon Yeow who claims that the PIL EIA approval marks a milestone in addressing the traffic woes in Penang.

The PIL is not a long-term solution to our traffic problems. The

EIA report claimed that there would be a dramatic time reduction but it ignored its own traffic analysis that full capacity will be reached by 2030 already. To spend RM8bil for this road is a colossal waste of public resources as it is not a long-term solution for the island's traffic woes.

Moreover, we had also pointed out that the EIA report wrongly claimed that no heritage structures would be affected. The Por Tay Buddhist School, the St Nicholas home, Penang Chinese Girls' High School, Shree Muniswarar temple, the iconic Penang Hill railway, Kek Lok Si temple and the Air Itam dam – which are all over 50 years old with cultural and historical significance – will be adversely affected by the PIL.

The PIL, which is an elevated six-

lane highway, will completely ruin the island's charm as it will have an adverse visual impact on green parks and forested hills.

The project plans to canalise and straighten rivers, when globally, cities are trying to restore natural river flows.

In addition, the EIA report also did not address the heavy usage of two popular recreational parks, Youth Park and Taman Jajar, in the route of the elevated highway. Recreational users, including children, will be subjected to noise levels exceeding 75dB (recommended maximum is 60dB) and increased air pollutants.

No amount of mitigation measures will address how the character of the island will be changed by an elevated highway, which will certainly be very ugly.

We are totally shocked that the Penang state government has refused to listen to a large section of the Penang public who have studied the EIA and who have given informed feedback and comments.

We reiterate our call to the Penang government not to proceed with the PIL despite its conditional EIA approval.

We also demand that the government release information about the 56 conditions imposed by the DOE. Given the huge public outcry over the PIL, it is imperative that the state government not hide the conditions for approval.

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LAMPIRAN 19
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Penang LRT project to start next year

KUALA LUMPUR: Construction of the proposed Komtar-Bayan Lepas Light Rail Transit (LRT) project, part of Penang's multi-billion ringgit Transport Master Plan (PTMP), is expected to begin next year.

Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow said the project is awaiting conditional approval by the Transport Ministry, which would likely be obtained soon.

He said a team from the Land Public Transport Agency (APAD) visited Penang about two weeks ago to view the proposed rail line alignment and the suitability of locations for train stations.

"Based on their suggestions and comments, our team (state government) will make the amendments and improvements for APAD to advise the transport minister.

"With that, we will (then) be able to fine tune the alignment, location of stations and financing packages," he told Bernama during his recent visit to the national news agency's headquarters.

A state-initiated project, the PTMP is expected to cost an estimated RM46 billion.

It features an undersea tunnel linking the island to the mainland, highways, LRT and monorail, and extensive bus connectivity on both the island and mainland.

SRS Consortium, a joint venture between Gamuda Bhd, Loh Phoy Yen Holdings Sdn Bhd and Ideal Property Development Sdn Bhd, will be the project delivery partner for the PTMP and the South Reclamation Scheme.

The proposed projects in the first phase of the PTMP include the Pan Island Link 1 (PIL1) highway, the Bayan Lepas light rail transit system, and works involving several major roads.

The state government obtained a conditional approval (for PIL1) from the Department of Environment on April 10 after it reviewed the Environmental Impact Assessment on the project.

Meanwhile, the rail line for the LRT project will cover 29.5km and 27 stations, running from Komtar to the Penang International Airport and to the three future reclaimed islands in the south of Penang, estimated to cost RM8 billion.

Chow said the LRT project would take about six to eight years to be completed and a public display will be held for three months to gather feedback from the public.

"The project delivery partner will assist the state government in implementing the project, secure the approval, get funding and deliver it according to the time frame, quality and cost.

"There should not be any overrun in terms of cost, time and other things," he added.

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Two areas in Selangor record unhealthy air quality

PETALING JAYA: Two areas in Selangor were found to have unhealthy air quality, with most areas in Malaysia having moderate air quality as of 6pm yesterday.

On the Air Pollutant Index (API) rating, Shah Alam and Cheras recorded air quality of 111 and 104 respectively, while Kota Tinggi, Johor recorded the best air quality, with a reading of 31.

An API reading of 0-50 is good, 51-100 (moderate), 101-200 (unhealthy), 201-300 (very unhealthy), and any reading above 300 is hazardous.

The public can view the API online, which is updated hourly at the website:

http://apims.doe.gov.my/public_v2/home.html



General view of Kuala Lumpur Tower shrouded in haze yesterday. The API was at unhealthy levels.

– AMIRUL SYAFIQ/THESUN

LAMPIRAN 21
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Most people not ready to discard single-use plastic bags

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MAJORITY of the people in Perak are unable to do away with single-use plastic bags, says state Environment Committee chairman Dr Abdul Aziz Bari.

Abdul Aziz felt that the people were still not "culturally" prepared to do so, after using plastic bags for so long.

"In terms of policy, the state has no issue in implementing the ban on single-use plastic bags.

"Personally, I've long adopted a 'no plastic bag' practice as I am passionate about caring for the

environment," he said in an interview.

"I think our people are not prepared for it. They are still not ready," he said, adding that pollution because of plastic was not critical in Perak.

He said the recent government policy to implement a 20sen pollution charge levied on shopping bags has outraged the people.

"I think it is a good move to increase the price for plastic bags, but it is getting ridiculed.

"The people are angry at the government because of this," he said.

"All of us need to be patient. I

hope we can come up with a win-win solution," he added.

It was reported that a recent study by survey agency YouGov Omnibus found about 22% of the 1,013 Malaysians polled daily still used plastic straws while about 24% used at least one plastic shopping bag.

The survey also showed about 91% of the people believed conserving the environment was important with 44% saying the government had the biggest role to play.

The government is aiming to reduce single-use plastic bags under its Roadmap Towards Zero

Single-Use Plastics, hoping to do away with plastic bags by 2030.

Abdul Aziz said apart from the people, the government also needed to consider the plight of those in the plastic industry.

"We cannot disrupt the manufacturers' and sellers' businesses and trouble them.

"We are talking about a business here, worth hundreds of thousands, if not millions," he said, adding that the state had yet to meet with the relevant industry players on the matter.

"We cannot just put up a ban based on whims and fancy, especially during the current econo-

my which is not in tip-top condition.

"Imagine if we implement the ban and people in the plastic industry lose their jobs," he added.

Abdul Aziz also said any policy to ban single-use plastic bags should come from the local governments.

"We (Pakatan Harapan) are barely into our first year as the state government.

"Maybe we could do it in the second year.

"Hopefully, we can do it within our term but we really have to think and consider this very carefully," he added.

LAMPIRAN 22

THE STAR (NATION): MUKA SURAT 10

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Chow: PIL 1 highway is not a waste of money

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GEORGE TOWN: Penang will go ahead with the Pan Island Link 1 (PIL 1) despite criticisms that the project was unnecessary and a waste of public funds.

Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow said: "It is not a waste. We need this highway.

"If we are to give in to the comments of certain groups to not build the highway, can you imagine the terrible traffic conditions of Penang in 2025, 2030 and 2035?"

He also said not having PIL 1 would harm the economic growth of the state.

"Without this project, it will lead to economic losses as the worsening traffic congestion will lead to lower productivity.

"With traffic jams, tourists and investors will not come," he told a press conference at Penang Hill yesterday.

Chow said consultants had undertaken various studies on the project that was expected to start in July next year.

The project, he added, was also approved by the Department of Environment (DOE), but with 56 conditions.

"The DOE had deliberated these during its review and gave approval for the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) which is valid for two years from the date of approval and it is with 56 conditions," he said.

Chow was responding to comments by Consumers Association of Penang (CAP) and Sahabat Alam Malaysia (SAM) president S.M. Mohamed Idris, who claimed that the 19.5km highway was a waste of state funds.

Idris had said the highway would hit its capacity as early as 2030 and would not resolve the issue of traffic congestion in Penang in the long term.

On the project's potential environmental impact, Chow said mitigation measures would be taken.

He also revealed a summary of the 56 conditions, which include an environmental management plan, the submission of various monthly and quarterly reports to the DOE and the appointment of environment officers, among others.

On Monday, Chow announced that the DOE had approved the EIA report for the proposed PIL 1 via a letter dated April 10.

The Star had on April 8 broke the news in an exclusive report that construction on the RM9bil light rail transit (LRT) line and the RM9.6bil PIL 1 were scheduled to start in June next year.

Necessary approvals, said Chow, would be sought from various agencies to start the construction of PIL 1 highway, which is to be completed by June 2026.

The 19.5km-long PIL 1 highway alignment will comprise 7.6km of viaduct sections, four tunnel sections totalling 10.1km and embankment sections totalling 1.8km.

The PIL 1 alignment will connect Gurney Drive and Tun Dr Lim Chong Eu expressway near the Bayan Lepas Free Trade Zone Phase IV.

However, MCA vice-president Datuk Tan Teik Cheng said the Penang government should put the PIL 1 project on hold as the average proposed cost could reach RM384.6mil per km.

He said the estimated price for ECRL was only RM68.7mil per km, which is just one-fifth of the cost of PIL 1.

"Ignoring the practicality, and environmental impacts, the price of the project itself is a colossal issue.

"Hence, the Penang state government must

PAN Island link (PIL) 1 plan

Total length	19.5km
Interchange no.	6
Viaduct length	7.6km
Tunnel length	10.1km
Embankment length	1.8km

Non-tunnel section
Tunnel section
Interchange



be accountable to the people or its motto of Competency, Accountability and Transparency (CAT) will be meaningless," he said in a statement yesterday.

It was earlier reported that the estimated

cost of PIL 1 would be RM7.5bil.

Chief Minister Chow Kon Yeow had said the actual cost of the project would only be known during the calling of the tender process and the submission of bids.

LAMPIRAN 23
UTUSAN MALAYSIA (LUAR NEGARA): MUKA SURAT 42
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Sampah laut dalam membimbangkan

■ CHIRSTCHURCH 16 APRIL

AHLI geosains marin New Zealand melahirkan kebimbangan terhadap 'pencemaran dasar laut' susulan banjir besar yang melanda South Island dekat sini pada bulan lalu.

Al-Jazeera melaporkan, hal demikian kerana banjir tersebut 'menyapu' sebahagian sebuah pusat pelupusan lama sekali gus 'mengheret' beribu-ribu tan sampah termasuk plastik ke kawasan laut.

Kedadaan itu menyebabkan sampah sarap berkenaan akan 'terkubur' di dasar laut untuk tempoh berdekad lamanya.

"Kami difahamkan sampah itu telah hanyut di sepanjang garis pantai yang luas. Kemungkinan komponen sisa dari tapak pelupusan Fox River akan berakhir di laut dalam," jelas Joshu Mountjoy, ahli geosains ma-

rin di Institut Penyelidikan Air dan Atmosfera Kebangsaan New Zealand.

Pencemaran sampah di laut mempunyai kesan besar terhadap kehidupan marin dengan plastik boleh menjadi sangat berbahaya, dan selain plastik, bahan toksik juga mampu mencemarkan lautan.

"Ikan boleh menyerap bahan-bahan toksik dan 'menyimpannya' di dalam badan haiwan itu. Bahan ini meneruskan rantai makanan sehingga manusia memakan ikan dan kita dapat menyerap bahan kimia tersebut, yang dapat menjejaskan kesihatan," jelas Jeff Seadon, seorang jurutera alam sekitar di Universiti Teknologi Auckland.

Oleh kerana perubahan iklim menyebabkan lebih banyak kejadian cuaca melampau dan kenaikan paras laut, terdapat kebimbangan banjir yang sama akan melanda tempat-tempat

pembuangan sampah di seluruh dunia yang terdedah kepada kejadian sama di South Island.

Bulan lalu, Program Alam Sekitar Pertubuhan Bangsa-Bangsa Bersatu menerbitkan laporan mengenai amalan pengurusan sisa di negara-negara kepulauan kecil membangun.

Laporan itu mengenal pasti tapak pelupusan sampah yang berdekatan dengan sungai sebagai isu utama.

"Laporan ini boleh digunakan kepada kebanyakan 11,000 pulau yang didiami di seluruh dunia. Sisa termasuk sisa berbahaya, yang dapat meracuni kehidupan marin dan menjejaskan manusia, kemungkinan akan hanyut ke laut," jelas Seadon.

Satu kajian terbaharu di Laut Mediterranean di Sicily mendapati sejumlah besar sampah dikesan di kedalaman 1,000 meter, juga dihanyutkan selepas berlaku banjir kilat.

Ini termasuk botol, cawan, permainan, paip, tayar kereta, batu bata dan cerucuk simen. - AGENSI



SUKARELAWAN membersihkan kawasan pantai dekat South Island, New Zealand ekoran banjir besar yang melanda kawasan itu bulan lalu. - AGENSI

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UTUSAN MALAYSIA (LUAR NEGARA): MUKA SURAT 42
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PETUGAS Jabatan Perhutanan dan Perlindungan Haiwan memasang jaring pada sebuah perigi bagi menangkap kelawar yang dikatakan dijangkiti virus Nipah di Kerala, India. - AFP

Saintis hasilkan vaksin Nipah

PHILADELPHIA 16 April - Para saintis di Pusat Vaksin Jefferson dekat sini telah menghasilkan vaksin yang mampu melindungi manusia daripada dijangkiti virus Nipah, virus yang pertama kali dikesan di Malaysia pada 1999.

Daily Mail melaporkan, pakar memberitahu vaksin tersebut berfungsi dengan baik ketika diuji pada haiwan dan mereka merancang untuk terus melakukan ujian bagi disesuaikan dengan manusia di kawasan yang berisiko tinggi dijangkiti virus itu.

Virus Nipah tersebar melalui makanan yang tercemar dan daripada babi, kelawar atau individu lain yang telah dijangkiti, dan disenaraikan oleh Pertubuhan Kesihatan Sedunia (WHO) sebagai antara agen utama yang menyebabkan penyakit.

Ini memberikan maksud tindakan segera diperlukan bagi mengekang penyebaran virus Nipah.

Saintis di Pusat Vaksin Jefferson dikatakan mengubah suai vaksin rabies bagi menghasilkan vaksin terbabit, kerana virus rabies dan Nipah mempunyai persamaan secara fizikal.

Jangkitan serius virus berkenaan boleh menyebabkan radang paru-paru dan pembentukan cecair dalam paru-paru, sawan atau koma serta *encephalitis* (radang otak).

"Kami (saintis) menghasilkan vaksin yang selamat dan berkesan terhadap Nipah, Hendra dan rabies ketika diuji pada tikus makmal.

"Selepas ini kami menumpukan kepada ujian demi ujian dalam menentukan dos suntikan yang tepat. Kami juga menggunakan vaksin yang sama untuk menghasilkan vaksin terhadap beberapa virus baharu termasuk terhadap Ebola," jelas ketua penyelidik, Dr. Matthias Schnell. - AGENSI

LAMPIRAN 25
THE STAR (NATION): MUKA SURAT 2
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AIR POLLUTION will shorten the life expectancy of children born today by an average of 20 months and will have the greatest impact in south Asia, according to a study published early this month.

The State of Global Air report, published by the US-based Health Effects Institute and the University of British Columbia, says air pollution is the fifth leading cause of early death worldwide – responsible for more deaths than malaria, road accidents, malnutrition or alcohol.

However, it warns “the loss of life expectancy is not borne equally”, with children in South Asia set to have their lives cut short by 30 months because of a combination of outdoor air pollution and dirty indoor air.

In East Asia, the study says air pollution will shorten children’s lives by an estimated 23 months – compared with around 20 weeks for children in developed parts of Asia Pacific and North America.

The report, which uses data up to the end of 2017, estimates that if air pollution levels were brought within World Health Organisation (WHO) guidelines, Bangladesh life expectancy would see the highest expected gain, at nearly 1.3 years.

India, Nigeria, and Pakistan would all see average life expectancy increase by around one year.

Despite state reforms to reduce pollution levels, China remains the country with the highest mortality rate due to air pollution,



Gasping for every breath

responsible for around 852,000 pollution-related deaths in 2017.

The top five countries with the highest mortality rate due to air pollution were all in Asia: China, India, Pakistan, Indonesia and Bangladesh.

In total, the report says 147 million years of healthy life were lost in 2017 globally due to pollution.

Exposure to household air pollution – mostly from people burning coal, wood or charcoal to cook or heat their homes – is most common in South Asia, East Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa.

Nearly half of the world’s population is exposed to household air pollution – including an

estimated 846 million people in India and 452 million in China.

A study last October from the World Health Organisation found that exposure to toxic air both indoors and out kills some 600,000 children under the age of 15 each year.

It found that children are often more vulnerable to the impact of air pollution since they breathe more rapidly than adults, and thus absorb more pollutants at a time when their brains and bodies are still developing.

Data from the UN health body said that every day, 93% of children under the age of 15 breath dangerously polluted air. – AFP-Relaxnews