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State-of-art equipment to go on show at Kuari '97

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KUALA LUMPUR, Mon. - The finest and most advanced technology in the quarry and infrastructure development industry will be on display in conjunction with a two-day conference next month.

The inaugural International Showcase on Quarry and Infrastructural Development Technologies is targeted at town and strategic planners, quarry owners, developers, senior Government officials, architects, surveyors, bankers and the like.

The exhibition will be held from April 7-10 at Golden Plus Granite Sdn Bhd's quarry, about seven kilometres from here.

The sprawling eight-hectare exhibition area includes 11,000 sq m of open space for display of heavy machinery and "live" demonstrations and 4,000 sq m of fully air-conditioned tentage space for displays, meetings and presentations.

Among the exhibits to be displayed are air and hydraulic pressure pumps, asphalt plants, breakers, bulldozers, conveyor systems, crushers, drilling equipment, excavators, feeders, loading equipment, pumps and safety equipment.

The exhibition will be open to trade visitors from 9.30am till 5.30pm on April 9 and to the public on April 10 from 10am till 5.30pm.

The conference, entitled Kuari '97, will be on April 7 and 8 at the Nikko Hotel in Jalan Ampang here.

Themed "Coping with Infrastructure's Development As We Move Towards the Next Millennium: The Challenges and Opportunities", participants will be able to explore pertinent issues, challenges and opportunities affecting the quarry industry.

Its other aims are to provide an opportunity for small and medium-scale industries and players to further enhance their relationship through potential joint ventures, to examine technological development trends and to share experiences.

The conference, to be opened by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, has lined up an impressive line of speakers, panelists and session chairpersons.

Among them are Works Minister Datuk Seri S. Samy Vellu, Department of Mines director-general Sukeri H. Osman, Department of Environment director-general Tan Meng Leng, Economic Planning Unit Infrastructure and Utilities director Datin Aida Boey Abdullah and SungeiWay Group group managing director Datuk Chew Chee Kin.

The international speakers, panelists and session chairpersons are Institute of Quarrying Australia president Garry Utmar, Institute of Quarrying United Kingdom president Graeme Shove, Institute of Quarrying Hong Kong chairman Bruce Hawley and Institute of Quarrying South Africa chairman Doug Rowland.

The highlight of the conference is the panel discussion on "Quarry and Infrastructural Development in the Asia-Pacific Region Towards The Next Millenium - An Overview".

The showcase is presented by the Institute of Quarrying Malaysia and organised by Vital Image Sdn Bhd. The main sponsor is Shell Malaysia with support from the Primary Industries Ministry, Science, Technology and Environment Ministry and Malaysia Tourism Promotion Board.

The registration fee for a group of three or more is RM1,500 each for the first two delegates and RM1,200 for each subsequent delegate.

Institute of Quarrying members and exhibitors will be charged RM1,200 each while Government servants pay RM1,000 each.

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