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Bintulu contractor has exceeded expectations

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GLOBAL Upline Sdn Bhd deserves to be praised for a job well done. I am referring to its new Bintulu Airport project officially declared open by Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad on Dec 19.

The new airport was completed six months ahead of schedule.

It is rare for a mammoth, multi-million ringgit (RM385 million) government project to be completed on time, much less ahead of schedule.

Global Upline, the turnkey contractor, is creating a new record and setting a very high standard for other contractors to follow.

For a government project to be successful, contractors' track records must be scrutinised to ensure that they do not make blunders when offering

contracts to prospective bidders.

Select only reliable contractors (as the Ministry of Transport did for this project).

The lowest bidders may not necessarily be the most appropriate to be awarded the tenders.

There are many instances where the lowest bidders often fail to fulfil their contractual obligations.

In such cases, the projects are either delayed for years or are