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The construction of Putrajaya Wetlands has attracted several species of migratory birds such as cattle egrets (above) to the area.



F O R E W O R D

from the President of
Perbadanan Putrajaya

The setting up of Putrajaya, Malaysia's new Federal Government Administrative Centre, is another milestone in the development of Malaysia as an independent and sovereign nation. Putrajaya is being developed as an intelligent city and a city in a garden.

Central to this concept of the city in a garden is the 600 hectare man-made lake created by the damming of Sungai Chuau and Sungai Bisa. The resulting Putrajaya Lake forms the centrepiece of the new city giving it a distinctive character and identity.

In order to ensure that the water entering the lake would remain clean and suitable for body contact recreational activities, the Perbadanan took great pains to institute various measures to achieve the required water quality standard. Towards this end, the Perbadanan adopted the environmentally-friendly approach of constructing a series of wetlands to treat the water before it enters the lake. This is the first such project undertaken in Malaysia. We look on this project as an innovative attempt to harness nature and the eco-system to develop an attractive and viable lake.

The wetlands covers an area of 197 hectares and was built in a record time of seventeen and a half months.



This achievement is all the more meaningful for us as it is the product of Malaysian scientists in various disciplines working together to provide an acceptable solution to meet the need for a system to keep the lake water clean. I take this opportunity to extend my heartiest congratulations to the parties involved.

The Perbadanan is ever conscious that the wetlands need to be closely monitored and managed. A comprehensive programme has been drawn up for this purpose. The success of the wetlands and their ability to fulfil their functions depend on the cooperation and concerted efforts of all concerned, including the general public. Together we can make the wetlands serve as a retreat and the means to interact with and enjoy nature.

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