

Report: Putrajaya-Kajang link may be revived with LRT4

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The abandoned Putrajaya-Kajang link may be revived with an LRT line, according to a report in The Star Online.

Works had begun on a monorail line connecting Putrajaya to Kajang, but construction was abandoned in 2004 due to cost constraints.

However, the report said it may now be revived as an LRT line at the cost of around RM2 billion. If it proceeds, the line would be the fourth such line in the greater Klang Valley.

In contrast, the LRT3 line from Bandar Utama to Klang will cost RM15.02 billion.

According to The Star, the lower price tag is due to civil infrastructure works having been completed with the abandoned monorail project.

“While it may take about six months to a year before project development begins, I can confirm that the government wants to proceed with the project,” a source was quoted as saying.

At present, the MRT1 line terminates in Kajang, while the under-construction MRT2 line will terminate in Putrajaya. Both originate from Sungai Buloh.

A Putrajaya-Kajang connection would complete the loop.

'MRT2, HSR, ECRL and LRT4 in Putrajaya'

There have been a number of proposals to revive the abandoned link over the years.

The previous BN government had also considered linking Putrajaya and Kajang through a tram system.

The Star report said that if the LRT4 plan proceeds, it will be under the oversight of local authority Putrajaya Corporation and the Federal Territories Ministry.

Though initially deemed a white elephant project, Putrajaya's population has since grown substantially.

Apart from the MRT2 line and the possible LRT4 line, the East Coast Rail Link will also have a station in Putrajaya, as will the Kuala Lumpur-Singapore High-Speed Rail, the construction of which is postponed until 2020.

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