

LEADER IN ANTI-AGEING POLYMER AND COSMETICS

RM820m INVESTMENT FROM POLYMER GIANT RIANLON

Firm's plant, R&D facility in Johor will create high-skilled jobs, boost specialty chemicals ecosystem

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RIANLON Corporation, a global leader in anti-ageing polymer and cosmetics, has stated its commitment to establish a manufacturing plant and research and development facility in Johor.

Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim said this was the out-

come of his meeting with representatives from the Chinese company yesterday, as part of his four-day working visit to China.

The private meeting with Rianlon chief executive officer Li Haiping and chief technology officer Sun Chunguang was held at the Banyan Tree Tianjin Riverside Hotel.

Anwar said Rianlon was set to invest RM820 million.

"This will create high-skilled job opportunities for the people."

International Trade and Industry Minister Tengku Datuk Seri Zafrul Tengku Aziz, in a social media post, said the project would be located at the Tanjung Langsat Industrial Complex in Johor.

He said the project would create more than 300 skilled jobs and strengthen the nation's specialty chemicals ecosystem.

"This investment will not only

create employment opportunities, but also usher in advanced technology, supporting the objectives of the New Industrial Master Plan 2030," he said on X.

"This is a step forward towards strengthening Malaysia's special chemicals ecosystem and driving the country further up the high-value chain," he said.

"The ministry welcomes Rianlon's investment and is ready to be a partner in innovation and industrial growth."

In another meeting, Anwar hosted top leaders from the China Communications Construction Company Ltd (CCCC), the main contractor for the East Coast Rail Link (ECRL) project. He met CCCC chairman Song Hailiang and vice-president Chen Zhong.

"With CCCC, I studied the development of the ECRL project, which has now become a

symbol of the friendship between Malaysia and China under the Belt and Road Initiative.

"*InsyAllah*, the ECRL will reduce the regional development gap and lead to economic spillovers for the people."

The ECRL aims to connect Malaysia's east coast to the west coast. Once completed, the 665km rail line will link Kota Baru to Port Klang and allow greater connectivity for passengers and freight between the east coast states and the Klang Valley.

Phase 1 of the ECRL, from Kota Baru, Kelantan, to the Gombak Integrated Terminal, Selangor, is scheduled for completion by December next year, with operations set for January 2027 onwards.

Phase 2, linking Gombak with Port Klang, is expected to be completed by December 2027 and operational by January 2028.