

**Double-Track Project Set For Earlier Completion - Muhyiddin
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BUTTERWORTH, Sept 17 (Bernama) -- The 329-km Ipoh-Padang Besar Electrified Double Track Project (EDTP) is expected to be completed ahead of the scheduled date in 2014, Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said today.

Muhyiddin, who was on a working visit to Penang today, said construction under MMC-Gamuda Joint Venture Sdn Bhd was progressing smoothly.

"I understand that the project will be completed ahead of the scheduled date in 2014," he said after a visit to the project site here.

Muhyiddin had begun his day-long visit to the state by meeting traders and shoppers at the Tasek Gelugor market and then walked about 200 metres to the double-track construction site.

The EDTP is a RM12.5-billion infrastructure project that involves the construction of the double-track railway across Perak, Penang, Kedah and Perlis.

Construction of the project began in early 2008.

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