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**My Stations: Transforming Malaysia -Unveiling Of Kuala Lumpur-Singapore High Speed Rail Station Concept Designs**

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*Bismillahir rahmanir rahim,*

*Assalamualaikum Warahmatullahi Wabarakatuh,*

Salam Sejahtera dan Salam 1Malaysia.

YAB Dato' Sri Mohd. Najib bin Tun Abdul Razak,  
Prime Minister of Malaysia;

YBhg. Dato' Mohd Nur Ismal bin Mohamed Kamal,  
Chief Executive Officer of MyHSR Corporation Sdn. Bhd.

Distinguished guests,

Ladies and gentlemen,

1. At the outset, allow me to welcome and extend my sincere appreciation to the Honourable Prime Minister and all guests to the “MyStations – Transforming Malaysia” event. Today, we will witness the unveiling of the Kuala Lumpur – Singapore High Speed Rail (HSR) station concept designs.
2. As you may recall, Malaysia and Singapore signed the HSR Bilateral Agreement back in 2016. It was a pivotal milestone for both nations, reflecting both countries’ highest commitment to the KL-Singapore HSR project to improve connectivity, enhance business linkages and bring people of both countries closer together.

3. Here we are 10 months later, sharing significant progress on the development of the KL-Singapore HSR project. Travelling at speeds of over 320 km per hour, the HSR project will greatly reduce journey time between Kuala Lumpur and Singapore to only 90 minutes. This is a major difference with other land-based transportation such as cars, buses, and regular trains which takes approximately four to seven hours.
4. The reduced amount in travel time will not only enhance connectivity between the two nations and improve productivity, but concurrently reduce congestion on the road and minimise our carbon footprint. Simultaneously, the HSR will rejuvenate the cities along the route that will be connected to the HSR alignment, as a catalyst for significant growth.

Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen,

5. An efficient transportation system plays a significant role in ensuring continuous growth of a country. Malaysia continues to strengthen its public transportation system through various transformation programmes and initiatives in an effort to develop an integrated transportation network to achieve high-income developed nation status.
6. This is the vision of YAB Prime Minister, who will be unveiling today the beautiful, distinctive and iconic HSR station designs. The designs of each station were conceptualised to reflect the diverse heritage, culture and identity of each city.
7. In addition, the Bandar Malaysia station will also be the home of the 0-0 Ground Control Point monument for the HSR alignment. A commemorative plaque will be installed at this location. This Commemorative plaque, will be unveiled and officiated by YAB Prime Minister today.
8. Allow me to share a little bit more about this commemorative plaque. This special plaque will be installed as part of a monument that doubles up as the 0-0 Ground Control Point which houses the 0 coordinate, or the start of the coordinate network for

the project. It also acts as a significant marker or monument that symbolizes our commitment to this iconic project.

9. This monument will form part of the extensive survey performed by MyHSR Corporation, in close collaboration with the Department of Survey and Mapping Malaysia (JUPEM) to create a common reference coordinate system for the KL-Singapore HSR project. This procedure is essential to ensure that all aspects of the KL-Singapore HSR and other projects along the HSR Corridor are carried out with accuracy and precision.
10. As part of the project implementation plan, MyHSR Corp will jointly call for a tender with Land Transport Authority Singapore by the year-end for the AssetsCo entity. The AssetsCo will be responsible for the design, build, finance and maintenance of rolling stock and to design, build, finance, operate and maintain rail assets such as track-work, power, signaling and telecommunications.
11. Much effort has been put into the preparation of this tender. MyHSR Corp and its Singaporean counterpart, had just recently completed its second major engagement with the industry. Both engagement sessions conducted had received strong support and attracted global attention, with over 350 attendees at each briefing event. The market had indicated that this upcoming tender is highly anticipated and many are already forming partnerships and consortiums in advance of the tender launch at the end of this year.
12. To echo YAB Prime Minister's commitment, the AssetsCo tender will be an international competitive tender that will be open and transparent.

Distinguished guests, Ladies and Gentlemen,

13. The KL-Singapore HSR is part of the 11th Malaysia Plan, with the sole objective to provide world class public transportation services and performance for all Malaysians.

As such, at critical phases of the project, we will inform and engage the public for consultation and feedback as our focus is to meet the needs and expectations of the *rakyat*.

14. In conclusion, the KL-Singapore HSR is an iconic game changer for the nation and encourages the country to remain competitive, moderate, and dynamic, to keep pace with the rest of the world. Fundamentally, we need to take that quantum leap, the investments we make today will accelerate us towards the goals of TN50, to become a top 20 nation in economic development, social advancement and innovation

Thank you.

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