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JELAJAH FT ROADPEDIA KICKSTARTS TO LOOK AT PAN BORNEO HIGHWAY SARAWAK

Saturday, 29 September 2018, Kuching: The three-day Jelajah FT Roadpedia began this morning with officials from Works Ministry Malaysia, Ministry of Infrastructure Development and Transportation (MIDT) Sarawak and Public Works Department of Sarawak (JKRS) visiting 2 out of the 11 works packages of the on-going construction sites of Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak.

Also taking part in this site visit is the Project Delivery Partner (PDP) for the project, Lebuhraya Borneo Utara Sdn Bhd (LBU). Led by the Works Ministry's Secretary-General, Dato' Sri Zohari Akob, the entourage of some 100 people, including media personnels, made a site visit to Telok Melano-Sematan stretch (Works Package Contract 01).

The purpose of the event is to look at the latest progress of the construction of Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak, from Telok Melano all the way to Miri. Construction of the 33km long stretch is currently focused on asphalt laying, now that earthworks in the greenfield stretch is almost complete. This works package has a total of six bridges, Sungai Siru, Kerambai, Pueh, Sungai Belinsah, Sungai Beduan and Sungai Samunsam which are taking shape now. Installation of guardrails is progressing well along this construction stretch where road signage installation has started.

Street lighting poles and cabling works have also commenced from the Sematan -Lundu road heading towards the first roundabout in the direction to Telok Melano. The completion of the Telok Melano - Sematan stretch is expected to boost tourism as the beach at the picturesque fishing village of Telok Melano offers panoramic views and delicious seafood is available there too.

From Telok Melano-Sematan stretch, the entourage proceeded to look at Sematan-Sungai Moyan stretch (Works Package 02). While touring along this stretch, the entourage managed to see the on-going construction of the two Interchanges i.e. Lundu and Bau. The works package has another four interchanges i.e. Mile 4 ½, Mile 6, Mile 7 and Mile 10.

WPC02 is the longest construction stretch of 95km among the 11 WPCs under the Pan Borneo Highway Sarawak. It has a total of 50 P-Turns with 24 at Lundu Section and 26 at Bau Section, 93 bus shelters and a total of 22 bridges. The main contractor for both WPC01 and WPC02 is Samling Resources Sdn Bhd.

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