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Latar Expressway's Final 90-tonne U-beam Was Put In Place

KUALA LUMPUR, May 19 (Bernama) -- A crew of 100 men and three engineers put in place the final 90-tonne U-beam measuring 37.9m on the Kuala Lumpur-Kuala Selangor Expressway (Latar Expressway) at 3am Thursday.

"With this, the expressway is closer to opening in the middle of this year," Chief Executive Officer of KLSEB Amran Amir said in the statement.

KLSEB or Kuala Lumpur-Kuala Selangor Expressway Bhd (KLSEB) is the concessionaire for the 33km expressway.

Amran said the Latar Expressway had a total of 569 beams in place for the bridges located at its four interchanges.

"Latar Expressway is a green field dual-carriageway project linking Templer's Park in Gombak to Ijok in Kuala Selangor and is a faster and safer choice of just 18 minutes between the two districts," he said.

The expressway serves townships such as Kuala Selangor, Assam Jawa, Ijok, Batang Berjuntai, Kota Puteri, Puncak Alam, Shah Alam, Bukit Jelutong, Sungai Buloh, Kundang, Rawang, Selayang, Petaling Jaya and the national capital.

It also provides links to the existing North-South Highway and the Guthrie Expressway.

KLSEB has a 40-year expressway concession and was awarded a build-operate-transfer scheme in which the company is responsible to finance, design, build, operate and maintain the highway.

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