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Only 18 minutes from Templer's Park to Ijok 2011/04/23



KL-Kuala Selangor Expressway (Latar Expressway)

KUALA LUMPUR: The KL-Kuala Selangor Expressway (LATAR Expressway) linking Kuala Lumpur at Templer's Park in the district of Gombak with the township of Ijok in Kuala Selangor has now entered its final stage of development.

KL-Kuala Selangor Expressway Bhd (KLSEB), concessionaire for the new LATAR Expressway, announced this today.

The 33km dual carriageway will be the alternative link road to the present Jalan Sungai Buloh-Kuala Selangor (Federal Route 54).

When opened, motorists using LATAR Expressway will only take about 18 minutes to travel from templer's Park to Ijok.

The expressway links Kuala Selangor, Assam Jawa, Ijok, Batang Berjuntai, Kota Puteri, Puncak Alam, Shah Alam, Bukit Jelutong, Sungai Buloh, Kundang, Rawang and Selayang. It has four interchanges and three toll plazas on each side.

The four interchanges give faster access into the Guthrie Corridor Expressway, North-South Expressway and the future West Coast Highway.

It also features the Intelligent Transportation System (ITIS), closed-circuit television (CCTV) monitors, Variable Message Signboards (VMS), traffic control devices, all-weather road markers, and emergency telephones. Rest and service areas (R&R) can also be found on both sides of the expressway.

The new expressway forms the north-west portion of the government's bigger plan for a KL Outer Ring Road (KLORR) which begins from the Templer's Park Interchange along Federal Route 1 (KL-Rawang) to the Guthrie Corridor Expressway.

KLORR is a planned orbital ring road within the greater Kuala Lumpur area as an alternative to the Middle Ring Road 2 (MRR2).

Currently, the completed sections of KLORR include the Guthrie Corridor Expressway linking to Elite Expressway from Bukit Jelutong, Shah Alam to Saujana Putra, and the South Klang Valley Expressway from Saujana Putra to Kajang.

In addition, KLORR connects Kajang to Hulu Langat via the SILK Highway.

With the completion of LATAR Expressway, 75 per cent of the KLORR network would be formed.

Construction of the LATAR Expressway began in October 2008 and is expected to complete by the middle of this year.

The concession was awarded to KL-Kuala Selangor Expressway Bhd for a period of 40 years.