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### Traffic management measures in place for station construction at Jalan Tun Jugah

**KUCHING:** Construction works for the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) project has intensified with various works being carried out at different sites along the alignment in Kuching and Kota Samarahan.

Along the Red Line alignment, from Kuching Sentral to Pending, road widening works and the construction of Autonomous Rapid Transit (ART) stations have already started.

Most recently, for Jalan Tun Jugah, traffic management measures and signages were put in place, in preparation for the construction of an ART station at the road median in front of Premier 101 Food Centre and Emporium Kuching.

Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd and its Red Line contractor, a joint venture between Sri Datai Construction (Sarawak) Sdn Bhd, JT JV Builders Sdn Bhd and CHEC Construction (M) Sdn Bhd, are working closely to ensure all the traffic management measures are ready.

They are also constantly engaging with the relevant government authorities and agencies to ensure the smooth traffic flow along the work sites.

“We will also have dialogue sessions with the relevant stakeholders from time to time to coordinate efforts and mitigate potential traffic issues,” said Sarawak Metro’s Chief Executive Officer, Ts. Mazli Mustaffa.

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“Recognising that Jalan Tun Jugah is a key roadway with high traffic volume, Sarawak Metro is working closely with our contractor to ensure the traffic management plan is fully implemented while prioritising the safety and well-being of the public.”

Road users are advised to plan their journeys ahead, allow for extra travel time, consider alternative routes where possible, and exercise patience while driving through the construction zone.

“We deeply appreciate the public’s understanding and cooperation, as Sarawak Metro works towards transforming Kuching’s public transport system,” said Mazli.

For updates on traffic management measures for the KUTS project, members of the public are urged to check Sarawak Metro’s official online social media channels.

For comments and feedback, members of the public can email [555999@sarawak.gov.my](mailto:555999@sarawak.gov.my) or [info@mysarawakmetro.com](mailto:info@mysarawakmetro.com).

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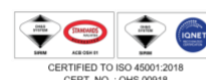
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**Workers installing temporary traffic signages to guide road users**



**Temporary traffic signages have been installed at key locations to ensure smooth traffic flow**



**Road users are advised to exercise caution when driving along Jalan Tun Jugah, as the construction of ART station SR08 is set to commence soon**

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## About Sarawak Metro and KUTS project:

Sarawak Metro Sdn Bhd (Sarawak Metro), a wholly owned subsidiary of Sarawak Economic Development Corporation (SEDC), has been entrusted by the Sarawak Government to modernise public transport through the Kuching Urban Transportation System (KUTS) project.

Sarawak Metro is the implementer, operator and maintainer of the KUTS project.

The project is being developed in phases, and Phase 1 includes the development of three lines: the Blue Line from Rembus in Kota Samarahan to Hikmah Exchange in the city centre; the Red Line, from Kuching Sentral to Pending; and the Green Line, from Pending to Damai.

Construction of the first package for the Blue Line is expected to complete by the fourth quarter of 2025 and all three lines are scheduled to be fully completed by the end of 2027.

The backbone of the KUTS project is the introduction of the zero-emission Autonomous Rapid Transit (ART) hydrogen vehicles.

The ART vehicles will be operated on dedicated lanes, meaning they will not share the lane with other road users. The ART hydrogen vehicles will run on rubber tires, and hence the dedicated lanes will be trackless. The lanes will mostly be at-grade (road level) while certain sections of the alignment will be elevated.

The ART operation will be supported by a network of feeder buses, which will also consist of hydrogen-powered vehicles to offer the 'first mile and last mile' connectivity for commuters.

The move to use hydrogen is in line with the Sarawak Government's aspirations to advance the hydrogen economy and to decarbonise public transport in Sarawak.

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